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**R**epublicans expressed optimism as they headed into the final weekend of the midterm campaign, targeting House seats deeper into Democratic territory than once expected while both parties watched polls in some critical Senate races showing signs of tightening. **A1, A4**

◆ **Trump is preparing to announce a comeback** White House bid by the end of November, people familiar with the discussions say. **A6**

◆ **Russian forces in the occupied southern Ukrainian city of Kherson** appear to be laying the groundwork for a withdrawal, but Ukrainian officials warn that Russia could be seeking to suck precious armored units into debilitating urban combat. **A8**

◆ **The U.S. and its allies agreed on which sales of Russian oil** will be subject to a price cap, racing to flesh out the details of the major new sanctions program before it begins on Dec. 5. **A9**

◆ **Thomas Barrack**, a businessman and ally of Trump, was acquitted of charges that he illegally lobbied the former president and his administration on behalf of the United Arab Emirates. **A3**

◆ **The fall is shaping up** as a rough and unpredictable one for respiratory viruses, as federal health officials warn of an early increase in activity this season. **A3**

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◆ **Musk capped his first week** as owner of Twitter by carrying out sweeping job cuts while complaining that advertisers have slashed their ad spending on the platform over concerns about how he will handle content moderation. **A1, A6**

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◆ **HSBC's top shareholder**, China's Ping An Insurance, called for a radical reorganization of the banking giant to boost its profits and flagging share price. **B1**

◆ **U.S. stocks rose Friday** but posted weekly losses. The S&P 500, Nasdaq and Dow shed 3.3%, 5.6% and 1.4%, respectively, for the week. **B11**

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## Scholz Walks Tightrope in Visit With Xi



**REAFFIRMING TIES:** German Chancellor Olaf Scholz and Chinese President Xi Jinping met in Beijing on Friday, with Mr. Scholz using the trip to sign business deals and announce new areas of cooperation despite growing calls back home to take a tougher stance on China. **A10**

## Candidates' Troubles Keep Pennsylvania Race Tight

By Aaron Zitner

**GREENVILLE, Pa.**—Democrat John Fetterman entered the race for U.S. Senate during a challenging time for his party, with Republicans in Pennsylvania racking up gains in voter registration after decades as a distant second.

Republican Mehmet Oz, a political newcomer who faces Mr. Fetterman in Tuesday's election, has his own problems. During the primary ses-

son, his GOP opponents so effectively branded him as an out-of-state opportunist that many voters, including in his own party, now view him unfavorably.

Neither man has been able to escape his trouble and, with only days left, polls suggest the race is essentially tied. That leaves each campaign grappling for the smallest advantage in one of the nation's most consequential elections.

Both parties see Pennsylva-

nia as key to their fight for control of the Senate.

If Mr. Fetterman loses, Democrats will blow their best chance to pick up a GOP seat—one held by Republican Sen. Pat Toomey, who is retiring.

If Mr. Oz loses, Republicans will have to pick up at least

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## Robust Hiring Shows Signs Of Cooling Off

By David Harrison

The U.S. labor market remains strong but is showing more signs of cooling following the Federal Reserve's aggressive interest-rate increases aimed at combating high inflation.

Employers added a seasonally adjusted 261,000 jobs in October, a robust number but the fewest since December 2020, and the unemployment rate rose to 3.7%, the Labor Department said Friday. Wage gains in October ticked up from the previous month. On an annual basis, however, wage increases have eased, a possible sign of loosening in the labor market.

The report points to an economy that is gradually losing momentum following a torrid stretch of growth last year and earlier this year. Over the past three months, employers added an average 289,000 jobs a month, down from 539,000 during the same period a year ago. But

### Unemployment rate



Note: Seasonally adjusted  
Source: Labor Department

that is still far more than before the pandemic. In 2019, job gains averaged 164,000 a month.

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## Musk Fires Half Of Twitter's Staff

By Sarah E. Needleman  
and Alexa Coiro

Elon Musk capped off his tumultuous first week as owner of Twitter Inc. by carrying out sweeping job cuts while complaining that advertisers have slashed their ad spending on the platform over concerns about how he will handle content moderation.

Mr. Musk blamed what he called "a massive drop in revenue" on "activist groups pressuring advertisers." He said in tweets that Twitter hadn't changed content moderation and had tried to address activists' concerns.

"We've done our absolute best to appease them, and nothing is working," Mr. Musk said at an investment conference in New York on Friday. "This is a major concern," he said, casting the ad pullback as an assault on free speech.

Mr. Musk later Friday appeared to threaten to expose advertisers that were with-

holding business from Twitter even though many have been public about their decision to suspend placing ads as they watch what the new Twitter owner does with the platform. "A thermonuclear name & shame is exactly what will happen if this continues," he tweeted.

The comments came as Twitter was notifying about half its staff that they were being let go. The layoffs were broad-based, ranging from the communications team to people working on machine learning. The cuts would put Twitter's head count back to levels not seen in years when it was a smaller business.

In the eight days since Mr. Musk took over the social-media platform, change has been swift. The Tesla Inc. chief ex-

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## Clock Changes Wind Up Protesters

Semiannual shift  
has some fed up  
enough to quit

By James Hookway

**BARCELONA**—There's a rupture in the fabric of time, or in how we set our clocks, anyway.

The end of daylight-saving time in the U.S. on Sunday, a week after Europe, brings the annual confusion of turning the clocks back. Some people are fed up with the whole process. A few refuse to take part in it at all.

Stefano Pavone from Swindon, England, lives year-round on Greenwich Mean Time, the original standard time. He wears a watch on each wrist as a protest when the U.K. shifts to daylight-saving time from spring until fall. He says

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## EXCHANGE



**TAKING OFF**  
The story of  
TikTok's rise, from  
those who lived it. **B1**

## \$300 Million Sneaker King Comes Undone

Reselling sneakers afforded Michael Malekzadeh a gold-plated lifestyle until unfilled orders brought his business to a halt

By Inti Pacheco

Self-described sneakerheads bidding up prices for limited-edition kicks sold online have created profits for tens of thousands of entrepreneurial kids and adults.

In nine years, Michael Malekzadeh outpaced the crowd to become an American sneaker celebrity. He made more than \$300 million in the sneaker resale market, where scarcity and cool have driven runaway prices.

Mr. Malekzadeh was known as one of the largest buyers and sellers of exceptional sneakers, including many he offered before they hit retail stores and some at cheaper-than-retail prices. He could get the rarest Nike Inc.'s Air Jordans, as well as Yeezys, which are expected to see a spike in resale prices after Adidas AG ended its partnership last month with rapper and entrepreneur Kanye West, who now goes by Ye.

Mr. Malekzadeh's apparent success afforded him the kind of insouciant, gold-

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Michael Malekzadeh in March 2020.

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## Twitter job cuts begin as Musk warns of 'massive' revenue drop

◆ Thousands face axe ◆ Angry staff file lawsuit ◆ New owner rails at withdrawal of ads

HANNAH MURPHY — SAN FRANCISCO  
TIM BRADSHAW — LONDON

Elon Musk has begun to slash Twitter's 7,500-strong workforce as the social media platform's new billionaire owner warned of a "massive drop in revenue" following his \$44bn buyout of the group.

As Musk embarked on his cost-cutting cull, he said yesterday that Twitter "has had a massive drop in revenue, due to activist groups pressuring advertisers, even though nothing has changed with content moderation and we did everything we could to appease the activists".

Brands such as General Motors, Mondelez, Carlsberg, Volkswagen and General Mills have paused marketing on the platform since Musk took the helm, with some advertisers fearful he will allow a wave of hate speech and misinformation to spill on to the site.

The lay-offs come amid job cuts across Silicon Valley as companies grapple with the macroeconomic slowdown.

"In an effort to place Twitter on a healthy path, we will go through the difficult process of reducing our global workforce on Friday," a company-wide email seen by the Financial Times said.

The email did not clarify the scale of the job cuts. However, Musk has drawn up plans to axe about 3,700 jobs, or half of the workforce, according to two people familiar with the plans, who added that the final figure could change.

The email added: "This action is unfortunately necessary to ensure the



Pause for thought: a number of big advertisers have withdrawn from Twitter for now, while they assess Elon Musk's approach to hate speech  
FT illustration by [unintelligible]

company's success moving forward." The move was immediately met by a class-action lawsuit from a small group of Twitter employees, alleging the company had violated labour laws by failing to give the required advance notice. The job losses cap a chaotic first week for Twitter under Musk's command, during which the world's richest man overhauled the management team, asked staffers to work round the clock on new products and publicly brain-

stormed plans to shake up the business via his own Twitter account. In an indication that the cuts had begun, two workers said many employees lost access to their corporate email on Thursday night. Although Musk has not publicly discussed the lay-offs, Twitter itself lit up with staff announcing their departure. "I am officially out," wrote Irene Font Peradejordi, a Twitter researcher. There has been turmoil inside the company

for months since Musk first made his bid to buy it, before trying to back out while publicly mocking Twitter's staff. After a legal battle, the deal closed last week, with Musk paying his original offer of \$54.20 a share. Musk has made no secret of his plans to overhaul Twitter, which has been criticised for sluggish innovation. He has previously said he could cut jobs and costs to make the platform "healthy". Musk's war room page 12

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Katie Martin

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### The elusive Châteauneuf

Jancis Robinson  
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### Qatar reforms fail to stop abuse of migrant workers

Migrant workers building the infrastructure for this month's FIFA World Cup in Qatar have continued to suffer abuses — including wages not being paid, recruitment agencies charging high fees and hazardous working conditions — despite efforts by the country to make improvements. Some workers, who were summarily sacked and sent home to Nepal and other Asian countries, have been left thousands of dollars out of pocket. Struggle to shift focus ▶ PAGE 4

## Rapid pace of US employment growth hinders Fed's battle to curb inflation

COLBY SMITH — WASHINGTON  
ERIC PLATT — NEW YORK

The US jobs market grew at an unexpectedly rapid clip in October, defying economists' predictions of a greater slowdown despite the Federal Reserve's aggressive efforts to curb demand.

The economy added 261,000 positions last month, according to data released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics yesterday. The figure was down from an upwardly revised 315,000 in September and 292,000 in August, but more than economists' consensus forecasts of 200,000.

On average this year the economy has added 407,000 jobs each month, compared with a monthly increase of 562,000 in 2021. Despite these gains, the unemployment rate ticked up to 3.7 per cent, just above its pre-pandemic low.

The labour market's solid performance has been a source of discomfort for the Fed as the US central bank seeks to bring decades-high inflation under control. Acute worker shortages have helped to drive up wages as employers seek to fill positions, helping to stoke inflation.

Thomas Simons, an economist with Jefferies, said payroll growth and wages were not slowing quickly enough. "This keeps another 75 basis point hike on the table for the December [Fed] meeting, though obviously we have lots more data between now and then," he said.

Earlier this week Fed chair Jay Powell described the labour market as "overheated" following the central bank's decision to lift the federal funds rate by 0.75 percentage points for the fourth time in a row. He warned that he did not "see the case for real softening yet".

However, top Fed officials yesterday backed a slower future pace of rate increases. Richmond Fed president Thomas Barkin said: "Sometimes you act a little bit more deliberately... the implication of that is probably a slower pace of rate increases."

Susan Collins of the Boston Fed said it was "time to shift focus" from the pace of rate rises to how high they ultimately need to go; as such, "smaller increments will often be appropriate".

The share of Americans either employed or seeking a job — known as the labour force participation rate — failed to improve in October, at 62.2 per cent. Average hourly earnings rose 0.4 per cent month-on-month, more than expected and an acceleration from September. The annual pace steadied at 4.7 per cent.

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### World Markets

STOCK MARKETS				CURRENCIES				GOVERNMENT BONDS			
	Nov 4	Prev	%chg		Nov 4	Prev	%chg		Nov 4	Prev	Yld
S&P 500	3712.46	3719.99	-0.07	\$/£	0.990	0.976	+1.4%	US 2 yr	4.68	4.72	-0.04
Nasdaq Composite	10204.78	10242.94	-0.37	\$/€	1.128	1.118	+0.9%	US 10 yr	4.16	4.15	+0.01
Dow Jones Ind	32011.97	32001.25	+0.03	\$/¥	0.077	0.073	+5.5%	US 30 yr	4.24	4.17	+0.08
FTSEurofirst 200	1669.94	1620.90	+2.9%	W/\$	147.245	148.190	-0.6%	UK 2 yr	3.06	3.04	+0.02
Euro Stoxx 50	3688.39	3693.19	-0.1%	W/€	198.093	195.877	+1.1%	UK 10 yr	3.53	3.51	+0.02
FTSE 100	7204.84	7188.63	+0.2%	\$/¥	0.988	0.989	-0.1%	UK 30 yr	3.77	3.71	+0.06
FTSE All-Share	4001.84	3928.97	+1.9%					JPN 2 yr	-0.05	-0.05	0.00
CAC 40	6416.44	6243.28	+2.7%					JPN 10 yr	0.25	0.24	+0.01
Xetra Dax	13459.85	13130.19	+2.5%					JPN 30 yr	1.56	1.53	+0.03
Nikkei	27193.14	27863.39	-1.6%					GER 2 yr	2.11	2.07	+0.04
Hang Seng	16161.14	15339.49	+5.3%					GER 10 yr	2.30	2.24	+0.06
MSCI World	2467.89	2498.78	-1.2%					GER 30 yr	2.22	2.17	+0.05
MSCI EM	880.90	873.02	+0.9%								
MSCI ACWI	870.77	878.22	-0.9%								
FT Wilshire 2500	4840.95	4868.74	-0.6%								
FT Wilshire 5000	37802.71	38280.81	-1.3%								

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## How Autocrats Like Putin Foil Climate Efforts

Global Goals Undercut  
by Nationalism's Rise

This article is by Somini Sengupta, Steven Lee Myers, Manuela Andrianti and Suhassini Raj.

Vladimir V. Putin has long used Russia's oil and gas as instruments of power at home and abroad. With the invasion of Ukraine in February, he has made it a weapon of war.

But he has not acted alone.

He has been abetted by powerful world leaders who share his nationalist or authoritarian leanings and who, together, have swept in to buy his coal, oil and gas and enabled him to finance his war. While their motivations for backing Mr. Putin vary widely — driven largely by pressures they face at home — collectively they have bedeviled global climate cooperation at a time when the warming planet is wreaking havoc on Earth's seven billion people.

The war on Ukraine will cast a dark shadow over the global climate summit starting this week in Sharm el Sheikh, Egypt. Those talks are predicated on a willingness among nations to work together to slow climate change. The resurgence of nationalism far and wide — of which Mr. Putin's invasion of a neighbor represents an apex — clashes with that ideal.

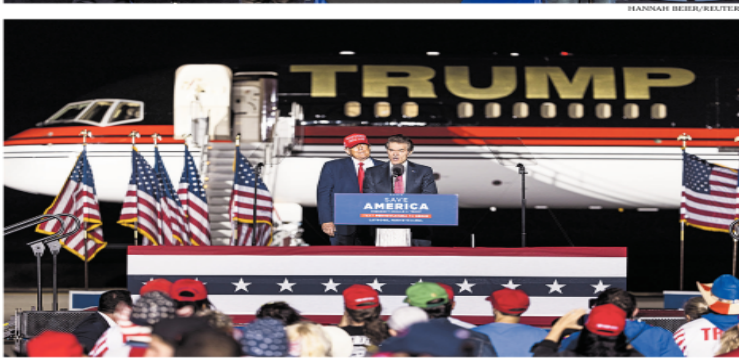
"The war in Ukraine is putting climate action on the back burner while our planet itself is burning," Antonio Guterres, the United Nations Secretary General, said recently.

Mr. Putin's supporters hail from some of the most powerful and polluting nations.

Xi Jinping of China and India's Narendra Modi stepped up after the attack on Ukraine to buy immense volumes of Russian coal and oil at bargain prices, cushioning their own economies from a global energy crisis while allowing Mr. Putin to keep profiting from energy exports, despite Western sanctions. Brazil's Jair Bolsonaro, who has denounced swaths of the Amazon rainforest for gold and beef, flew to the Kremlin just days before the invasion, and sitting side by side with Mr. Putin, offered support to Russia. Afterward he announced Russia would send new supplies of desperately needed fertilizer and diesel.

Even Saudi Arabia — the world's biggest oil exporter — bought more Russian fuel oil this year, taking advantage of exceptional low prices. The Saudi crown prince, Mohammed bin Salman, said in a speech last month that he would "continue to support the Russian people" and "maintain the flow of oil to the world."

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President Biden and Barack Obama campaigned for Lt. Gov. John Fetterman on Saturday in Philadelphia, while Donald J. Trump rallied for Mehmet Oz in Latrobe, Pa., in the race for U.S. Senate.

## Pass the Peas. Keep Your Opinion to Yourself.

By JENNIFER MEDINA

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — In the Broe family household, even the mail is divided.

There are separate stacks of political mailers on their kitchen table in the Phoenix suburb of Scottsdale — one for the pro-Trump Republican, one for the pro-Bernie Democrat. They all live under the same red-tile roof, but with different worldviews, not all of them tethered to reality.

Carolyn Broe, 65, is a Republican and a music teacher who believes a Democratic cabal stole the 2020 election and has been

## Arizona Family Reflects U.S. Partisan Rifts

leaving the country into collapse. She declares the president a "treasonous hack" running a "disaster" of an administration. Her husband is a Libertarian who considers Ronald Reagan the last admirable elected politician. He questions the integrity of the last election, but thinks voters should move on. Their two adult children are to the left of the Democratic Party and are open to supporting socialism. They fear that Republicans are

destroying democracy.

Tensions were so high on the eve of the 2016 election that Ms. Broe temporarily moved into a hotel. Her daughter changes the channel from Fox News before leaving the house — and Ms. Broe changes it back. She received a text meant for her son, offering him \$250 a week to help turn out progressive voters, and she wrote back: "I am worried this money is coming from Zuckerberg! He is courting communist China!"

Her children — Jasmine, 26, and JeanRené, 35 — wince when she speaks her views. Her husband — Steve Broe, 67, a practicing Buddhist who teaches man-

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## 3 Presidents In Swing State For Final Push

Clash From Past and a  
Fight for the Future

By LISA LERER  
and MICHAEL C. BENDER

PHILADELPHIA — The two parties' strongest messengers — a fraternity of recent presidents — descended on the pivotal swing state of Pennsylvania on Saturday to open the last weekend of this year's midterms, rallying their voters in a proxy battle that could define both parties well beyond the election.

The moment represented both a clash from the past and a fight over the future. While the issues are distinctly 2022 — crime, high inflation and the unraveling of federal abortion rights — voters are again being asked to choose between the establishment politics of President Biden and former President Barack Obama, and the chaotic, disruptive force of former President Donald J. Trump.

To press their case, Mr. Biden and Mr. Obama reunited in a familiar city, sharing a stage in Philadelphia — an event that brought back echoes of the enormous 2016 rally at Independence Mall, where the party's top leaders joined Bruce Springsteen and Madonna to try to push Hillary Clinton over the finish line. The stage at a Temple University gymnasium on Saturday evening was a lot smaller — and the rally was a lot less well-attended than the 2016 event.

Mrs. Clinton, of course, fell short in Pennsylvania against Mr. Trump, who hit three rallies in the state in the final four days of the 2016 race. This year, Mr. Trump closed the last weekend of midterm campaigning with an event in the Pittsburgh suburb, where he drew thousands of Republicans to the Arnold Palmer Regional Airport tarmac in Latrobe.

In Philadelphia, Lt. Gov. John Fetterman, the Democratic nominee for Senate, said he was proud to share a stage with a former president and current president who are "sedition-free" — a reference to the plans by his Republican opponent, Mehmet Oz, to appear with Mr. Trump at the evening rally.

In his remarks in Philadelphia and earlier in the morning in Pittsburgh, Mr. Obama cast his party as defending the bedrock values of the nation and Mr. Trump as the biggest threat to American democracy.

"Donald Trump says he needs Dr. Oz in the Senate in case there's a close election again," Mr. Obama

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## MISINFORMATION ON PELOSI ATTACK SPREAD BY G.O.P.

FLOOD OF FALSEHOODS

In Pattern of Distortion,  
Party Voices Amplify  
Dark Theories

By ANNIE KARNI

WASHINGTON — Within hours of the brutal attack last month on Paul Pelosi, the husband of the speaker of the House, activists and media outlets on the right began circulating misleading claims — nearly all of them sinister, and many homophobic — casting doubt on what had happened. Some Republican officials quickly joined in, rushing to suggest that the bludgeoning of an octogenarian by a suspect obsessed with right-wing conspiracy theories was something else altogether, dismissing it as an inside job, a lover's quarrel or worse.

The misinformation came from all levels of Republican politics. A U.S. senator circulated the view that "none of us will ever know" what really happened at the Pelosis' San Francisco home. A senior Republican congressman referred to the attacker as a "nudist hippie male prostitute," baselessly asserting that the suspect had a personal relationship with Mr. Pelosi. Former President Donald J. Trump questioned whether the attack might have been staged.

The world's richest man helped amplify the stories, too.

But none of it was true. The flood of falsehoods showed how ingrained misinformation has become inside the G.O.P., where the reflexive response of the rank and file — and even a few prominent figures — to anything that might cast a negative light on the right is to deflect with more fictional claims, creating a vicious cycle that muddies facts, shifts blame and minimizes violence.

It happened after the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the Capitol, which was inspired by Mr. Trump's lie of a stolen election, and in turn gave rise to more falsehoods, as Republicans and their right-wing allies tried to play down, deny or invent a different story for what happened, including grossly blaming the F.B.I. and antifa. Mr. Pelosi's attacker is said to have believed some of those tales.

"This is the dynamic as it plays out," said Brian Hughes, a professor at American University who studies political extremism. "The conspiracy theory

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## Pop Culture and Politics Propel Surging Stream of Antisemitism

By MICHAEL PAULSON and RUTH GRAHAM

Simon Taylor was on his way to an appointment in Flatbush when he pulled into a local filling station one afternoon late last month. It was a lovely fall day in Brooklyn, but as he began to fuel up, the climate turned sour: Another customer, spotting the skullcap atop Rabbi Taylor's head, launched into an expletive-laden rant about how much he hated Jews, and then, when the rabbi photographed his license plate, started chasing him with an upraised fist.

Rabbi Taylor, a 38-year-old father of five who oversees social services and disaster relief programs for an umbrella organization of Orthodox Jews, was shaken. A native of England who now lives on Long Island, he wondered if the incident was connected to a mainstreaming of antisemitic rhetoric in America.

"I've never had anything like

this in New York, and it definitely felt to me like this whole Kanye West thing had something to do with it," said Rabbi Taylor, referring to the ugly utterances of the hip-hop legend now known as Ye. "All it takes is a couple influential people to say things, and suddenly it becomes very tense."

For Jews in America, things are tense indeed. This week's midterm elections feel to some like a referendum on democracy's direction. There is a war in Europe. The economy seems to be teetering. It is a perilous time, and perilous times have never been great for Jews.

"When systems fail, whether it's the government or the markets or anything else, leaders of old look for someone to blame," said Jonathan Greenblatt, the chief executive and national director of the Anti-Defamation

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## Astros Win World Series. Is Redemption Next?

Dogged by criticism from a sign-stealing scandal in 2017, Houston beat the Phillies to end a nearly perfect postseason. Page 32.

## Lauder Alters New York Race As a Republican Surges in Polls

By NICHOLAS FANDOS and DANA RUBINSTEIN

Ronald S. Lauder, a 78-year-old cosmetics heir, philanthropist and art collector who is among the richest men in New York, has become the most prolific state political donor in memory this fall, fueling a Republican's surging candidacy for governor in one of the country's most liberal states.

Mr. Lauder has long been a gale-force disrupter, throwing millions of dollars behind conservative causes and candidates, including creating term limits in New York City and even his own failed mayoral campaign. Now at the twilight of his public life, he is marshaling his multibillion-dollar fortune behind an extraordinary intervention into this week's midterm elections.

As a lead donor to two super PACs, he has spent more than \$11 million to date trying to put Representative Lee Zeldin, a Trump-aligned Republican, in the governor's mansion. Millions of dollars

more, some of it not previously reported, have gone to successful legal and public relations campaigns to stop Democrats from gerrymandering the state's congressional districts.

The Republican surge in contests across left-leaning New York can be traced to myriad factors, from rising crime to lackluster Democratic enthusiasm and the usual midterm backlash.

But there is little doubt that Mr. Lauder has single-handedly tilted the playing field for his party. Since he began spending on a barrage of attack ads, Gov. Kathy Hochul, the Democratic incumbent, has watched polling and fund-raising advantages that once looked insurmountable dwindle. And Democrats fighting to hold the House of Representatives have seen their blue firewall crumble.

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#### An Improbable Star on the Left

Molly Jong-Fast, a novelist, essayist and podcaster, doesn't start on the political right, but she's become a liberal force within a certain rarefied slice of American life. PAGE 1

#### Crypto's Ted Lasso Dream

A group of American cryptocurrency investors is trying to turn an obscure English soccer club into "the internet's team." So far, though, the team just keeps losing. PAGE 1





## Inside sheriff's dubious Kuehl inquiry

A Times review finds evidence is lacking in a case based on one person's testimony.

BY MICHAEL FINNEGAN  
AND LAURA J. NELSON

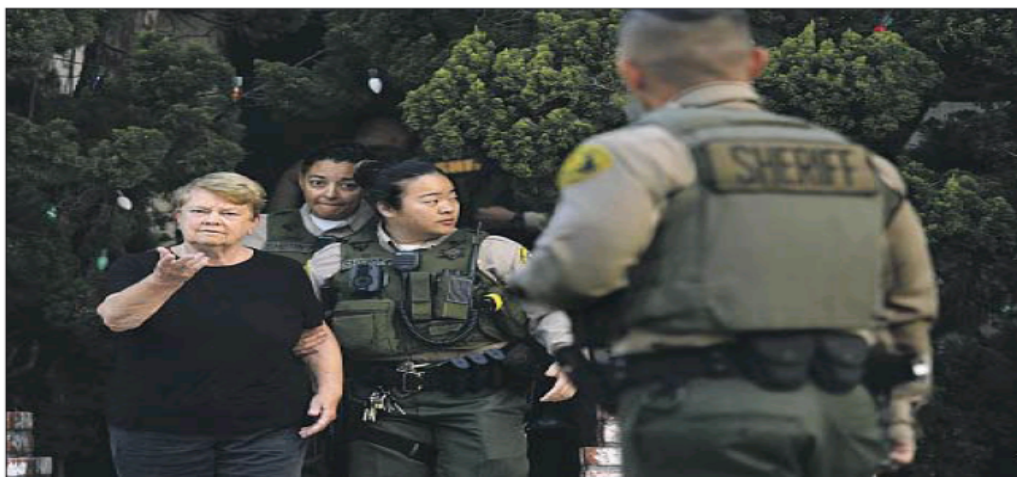
Long before detectives from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department showed up at Sheila Kuehl's house with a search warrant, it was clear this was no ordinary corruption investigation.

The department had spent three years looking into an allegation that Kuehl, a county supervisor and one of Sheriff Alex Villanueva's harshest critics, had taken bribes from a friend in return for Metropolitan Transportation Authority contracts.

The investigation fit a pattern. Since his election in 2018, Villanueva has fiercely resisted oversight by Kuehl, her colleagues on the Board of Supervisors, and other watchdogs monitoring alleged wrongdoing in his department.

Prosecutors had declined to file charges in the Kuehl case, telling sheriff's investigators last year that they lacked the evidence they would need at trial.

Had the investigation ended there, it might have been just a footnote in Villanueva's tumultuous tenure. But in the closing weeks of his run for a second term, deputies with guns and battering rams were dispatched to rummage through Kuehl's home in Santa Monica, her friend's house in Del Rey and four offices around downtown L.A. [See Sheriff, A12]



**DEPUTIES ESCORT** Supervisor Sheila Kuehl from her Santa Monica home in September after serving her a search warrant. Says Kuehl: "Apparently, I will retire from public service once more under threat by a bully." GENARO MOLINA/Los Angeles Times

### AMERICA UNSETTLED

## Volatility vs. politics as usual

Predictions on Tuesday's vote as uncertain as nation's mood

BY MELANIE MASON  
AND SEEMA MEHTA

In one sense, the fundamentals of this election season have remained remarkably consistent. President Biden's approval ratings languish in the low 40s. High inflation stubbornly persists. And odds have stayed stacked against the sitting president's party.

In another sense, nothing about this moment feels predictable. The cycle has been bookended by two acts of political violence—the Jan. 6, 2021, siege of the U.S. Capitol and the assault on House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's husband—that underscore the country's jittery mood. The Supreme Court reversed nationwide protections for abortion rights that had remained in place for nearly 50 years. A former president is facing an unprecedented array of [See Predictions, A9]



**ELECTION WORKER** Marissa Mendoza directs an early voter to an open booth at Arroyo Market Square in Las Vegas on Friday. K.M. CARRON/Las Vegas Review-Journal

## Paths to victory in close mayoral contest

As Bass fights to hold the city's liberal base, Caruso tries to forge a new winning bloc.

BY JAMES RAINEY  
AND BENJAMIN ORESKES

With two days left in the Los Angeles mayor's race, front-runner Karen Bass is fighting to maintain her longstanding advantage as the favorite of the city's liberal Democratic political base, while businessman Rick Caruso tries to forge a new winning coalition, powered largely by Latinos and residents of the San Fernando Valley.

Both Bass and Caruso now appear to have paths to victory in a contest that Bass had dominated for months, besting Caruso by 7 percentage points in the June primary and surging to a lead of as much as 21 points by late summer. In a poll published by The Times on Friday, Bass' advantage had shrunk to just 4 points, 45% to Caruso's 41%—within the margin of error.

The question that will not be settled until Tuesday [See Mayor's race, A13]

### Making their voices heard

Voters across L.A. explain how they decided between mayoral candidates. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

### Bass' moment? Or Caruso's?

Many Angelenos seem to be pretty fixed on whom they want, Steve Lopez writes. **CALIFORNIA, B1**



**AN AFGHAN** worker pauses while shoveling coal near Kabul. The earth in Afghanistan also holds zinc, copper, iron, gold, mercury, uranium and lithium. MARCUS YAM/Los Angeles Times

## AFGHAN RICHES

China and Russia scramble for a share of lithium and other minerals that may be worth trillions

BY NABIH BULOS

LOGAR, Afghanistan—Somewhere in the Logar mountains, overlooking the highway to Kabul, Asadullah Massoud trudged up to a four-story-tall cleft. Before him was a monochromatic pattern of gray stone, save for a seam of dull, almost-black rocks.

"Look there. See that black line?" he said. "That's chromite."

An explosion thumped in the distance. Massoud looked up, but appeared unconcerned. "That's not fighting. We're mining with the open-surface method, putting explosives and going from hill to hill," he said.

A reserved man with tinted glasses and a helmet of brown hair, Massoud is the site manager at the Mughulkhil mine, where workers extract chromite, an ore that yields chromium, a vital component of stain-

less steel. It's one of many mining operations here in the eastern Afghan province of Logar and across the country, which is believed to sit atop mineral deposits so vast that the Taliban is touting them as a panacea for Afghanistan's economic ills.

Those potential subterranean riches have also sent foreign powers such as China, Russia and Iran scrambling for a share—but not the U.S., which officially [See Afghanistan, A4]

### Latino leaders in arts and entertainment

Meet the artists and thinkers beating the odds and building L.A.'s cultural landscape. **CALENDAR, E1**

### Inside the hunt for serial killer

How police made an arrest in slayings that left homeless people "scared to death." **CALIFORNIA, B1**

### Astros win the World Series

A year after falling short, Houston defeats Philadelphia in Game 6 to prevail in the Fall Classic. **SPORTS, D1**



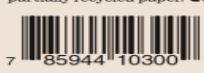
### Timely reminder

Daylight saving time ended at 2 a.m. today.

### Weather

Partly sunny; cool. L.A. Basin: 69/57. **B10**

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## Admissions debate stirs bias concerns

High court challenge to affirmative action resonates with Asian American applicants.

BY TERESA WATANABE,  
ANH DO AND JEONG PARK

Kenji Horigome's college application featured a 4.2 GPA, challenging coursework and a compelling narrative of losing his father as a boy and struggling to make ends meet with his single mother, a low-wage Korean restaurant worker. But he didn't bother to apply to Harvard or Yale.

"I heard that Asians have

to get perfect SATs and perfect GPAs and still wouldn't get in," said Horigome, a first-year student at Harvey Mudd College. "Friends say our GPAs are way higher than non-Asians but they're getting in more than us. It's created a feeling of unfairness."

The question of whether Asian Americans experience bias in college admissions captured the national spotlight last week during intense arguments before the U.S. Supreme Court over whether to abolish affirmative action. Students for Fair Admissions, a nonprofit opposed to racial preferences, has alleged that Harvard [See Admissions, A10]



### HOLLYWOOD ENDING

L.AFC goalie John McCarthy and Ilie Sanchez celebrate the team's first MLS title after defeating the Philadelphia Union in a shootout. **SPORTS, D1**



The tragedy of John Roberts The U.S. chief justice is at a crossroads. OPINIONS ESSAY, A25



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## Kyiv asked to show it is open to negotiation

White House seeking to shore up support for Ukraine as war takes toll

BY MISSY RYAN, JOHN HUDSON AND PAUL SONNE

The Biden administration is privately encouraging Ukraine's leaders to signal an openness to negotiate with Russia and drop their public refusal to engage in peace talks unless President Vladimir Putin is removed from power, according to people familiar with the discussions.

The request by American officials is not aimed at pushing Ukraine to the negotiating table, these people said. Rather, they called it a calculated attempt to ensure the government in Kyiv maintains the support of other nations facing constituencies wary of fueling a war for many years to come.

The discussions illustrate how complex the Biden administration's position on Ukraine has become, as U.S. officials publicly vow to support Kyiv with massive sums of aid "for as long as it takes" while hoping for a resolution to the conflict that over the past eight months has taken a punishing toll on the world economy and triggered fears of nuclear war.

While U.S. officials share their Ukrainian counterparts' assessment that Putin, for now, isn't serious about negotiations, they acknowledge that President Volodymyr Zelenskyy's ban on talks

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Exclusive: Russia works to subvert Moldova's government. A21

## Ex-boyfriend implicated in killing of 4 in Md. home

BY JUSTIN JOUVENAL AND TOM JACKMAN

Darin Mann returned home from work Friday afternoon and made a horrific discovery inside his Charles County, Md., home, his brother Robin Mann said: five people dead in a violent rampage, including his ex-wife and adult son and daughter.

The Charles County Sheriff's Office said Saturday that the scene was a quadruple murder-suicide. Andre Sales, 28, of La Plata, is suspected of entering the home and killing four people there, shooting some and stabbing others. The victims were his ex-girlfriend, Sara Mann, 21; her brother, Kai Mann, 18; their mother, Somaly Mann, 48; and a fourth man, Jovon Watson, 23, of nearby White Plains, who was an acquaintance, the sheriff's office said.

Sales then shot and killed himself with a gun, which authorities said was recovered. The motive remains under investigation, but the sheriff's office is examining whether the attack was the result of an ongoing domestic dispute. Sales was the father of Sara Mann's two young children, Robin Mann said. And authorities said he once lived in the home where the slayings took place.

Maryland court records show an unidentified person obtained a restraining order against Sales in

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TOP: President Biden and former president Barack Obama campaign in Philadelphia with Pennsylvania's Democratic nominee for governor, Attorney General Josh Shapiro, left, and nominee for the U.S. Senate, Lt. Gov. John Fetterman. ABOVE: Mehmet Oz, the state's Republican nominee for the Senate, speaks at a rally in Latrobe featuring former president Donald Trump.

## As races tighten, Election Day prognosis remains murky

This article is by Hannah Knowles, Liz Goodwin, Marianna Sotomayor, Joanna Slater and Gregory S. Schneider

Democrats this weekend are bracing for potentially steep losses in the House and scrambling to retain control of the Senate and governorships around the country as a midterm election season that bore some surprises comes to a close by adhering to convention, with the party out of power claiming momentum.

Republicans are well-positioned to retake the House as they have moved aggressively into Democratic territory by tapping into voters' anxiety about inflation and crime, and have benefited from disapproval of President Biden's leadership.

Republicans need to pick up just five seats to win back the House, but the atmosphere is so murky that some Democratic strategists privately acknowledge that a loss of 20 seats would be a good night. The outcome is less predictable in the Senate, as uncertainty hangs over contests in Georgia and Nevada, long considered dead heats, and races for Democratic-held seats in Arizona and New Hampshire and a Republican-held seat in Pennsylvania have all tightened in the final stretch, boosting GOP hopes to net the one seat required to gain control of the upper chamber. Meanwhile, Democrats are suddenly on the defensive in the governor's race in New York, long a stronghold for the party, and in

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## 3 presidents make pitches for their parties in Pennsylvania

BY COLBY ITKOWITZ, ISAAC ARNSDORF AND YASMEEN ABUTALEB

PHILADELPHIA — On one end of this state, President Biden and former president Barack Obama launched a tag team attack on Republican candidates, exhorting them as extremists posing a threat to the country's foundations. "MAGA Republicans," as Biden put it in his first joint campaign appearance of the midterms with Obama.

On the other, former president Donald Trump, who started the combative movement Biden nodded to and wore his signature red hat bearing its slogan, took the stage at a rally for those GOP contenders, attacking Democrats over crime, immigration and in-

flation. "Unfortunately, we have so many bad things happening to our country. We can't celebrate until we start winning," said the former president, who has spent much of the election season airing grievances and promoting false claims about the 2020 election.

The extraordinary convergence of the current president and his two predecessors in Pennsylvania on the Saturday before the election highlighted the broad political implications of the state this year and beyond. The presidential split-screen came in a state starkly reflecting the country's divisions and it offered a potential glimpse of 2024, with Trump and Biden in recent months each signaling an intention to run again.

"This crowd's so loud I think

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Michigan: GOP candidates finding that Trumpism goes only so far. A6

Connecticut: House seat may flip to GOP in Biden-voting district. A14

## House vote nearly split

POLL IMPLIES STEEP HILL FOR DEMOCRATS

GOP has edge on economy, voter turnout

BY DAN BALZ, SCOTT CLEMENT AND EMILY GUSKIN

Republicans hold significant advantages on the bread-and-butter issues of the economy and inflation that are central concerns of this fall's election, and are poised to claim a majority in the House in Tuesday's election, according to a Washington Post-ABC News poll.

Voters' intentions for the House are split about evenly, with 49 percent of registered voters saying they will vote for the Republican candidate in their district and 48 percent saying they will vote for the Democrat. Likely voters split 50 percent Republican and 48 percent Democratic.

If recent history is a guide, Democrats need a clear lead in this measure to hold off Republican gains. Many more Democratic seats are considered toss-ups, according to political handicappers, putting the party at a disadvantage heading into Tuesday. At this point four years ago, when they swept to power in the House in a rebuke to President Donald Trump, Democrats held a seven-point advantage on voters' intentions. But when Republicans had big victories in 2010 and 2014, they had somewhat bigger pre-election advantages than the current poll shows.

With Republicans needing to win a net of five seats to take control of the House, Democrats

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## Pro-Trump youth group transforms Arizona GOP

BY YVONNE WINGETT SANCHEZ AND ISAAC STANLEY-BECKER

PHOENIX — The young conservative activist had a plan, and he wanted the veteran Arizona House speaker to push it.

The two men huddled at a barbecue joint in January as the activist — Tyler Bowyer, the chief operating officer of the pro-Trump youth group Turning Point USA — unspooled his demands: Republican legislators, he insisted, should carve up booming and fast-diversifying Maricopa County, diluting the power of Democrats in a state that had helped deliver Joe Biden

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## A BATTLE TO SURVIVE

Illustrated stories show how normal life has disappeared after siege of Mariupol, Ukraine

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## Bennett, Hooker unlikely QB stars

Their play will be critical in this weekend's Georgia vs. Tennessee high-stakes game. **In Sports**

## The game is afoot for Henry Cavill

Star reprises roles as pop-culture icons Sherlock Holmes and Superman. **In Life**

# Migrants bused to NYC struggle for a foothold



In the four months since arriving in New York City, Jhonny Ramos, who is from Venezuela, has been shuttled from homeless shelter to homeless shelter. He plans "to keep going forward with God's help." JOSH MORGAN/USA TODAY

## With few options, they often are the city's new homeless

Rick Jervis USA TODAY

NEW YORK — On a Wednesday morning, Jhonny Ramos stepped out into the 40-degree chill of midtown Manhattan, a bevy of concerns weighing in on him.

He hadn't found consistent paying jobs. With his immigration status up in the air, he didn't have work authorization.

He needed to rush to the subway to get to a Western Union store in another borough, but the stitches from his recent appendectomy pulled at his skin, reminding him to walk slower so they don't reopen.

Then he needed to make it back to the shelter in time so he would not miss his next meal.

Most pressing, though: He needed to find a

**More than 20,000 asylum-seekers**

have arrived in New York City on buses from Texas and Arizona since June.

decent pair of pants. Ramos had only a pair of shorts, and winter in New York was coming.

The next day, 7 miles away in the South Bronx, Ariadna Phillips slammed shut the tailgate of her Kia Sorrento. Soon, she would be helping children find shoes that fit and their parents a place to sleep.

Her car was crammed with boxes of donated clothes, shoes, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, apples and loaves of bread. Her phone was filled with WhatsApp contacts.

In New York, Ramos and Phillips are on opposite ends of an immigration pipeline that began on the border with a bus ride.

For much of 2022, long-haul bus rides have

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## MIDTERM ELECTIONS

# Cost of candidate spending? Billions

Erin Mansfield USA TODAY

Candidates and their supporters are spending billions of dollars trying to get their message out to the public to prove they deserve to take or keep their seat in the House or Senate.

By the time the election is over Nov. 8, their spending could top \$9.3 billion, according to nonpartisan watchdog group OpenSecrets, a number that does not include any money spent on races for governor, secretary of state, or state legislative seats.

The candidate who spends the most money almost always wins the election. For the past 20 years, data from OpenSecrets has shown that the House or Senate candidate with the most money wins between 71% and 98% of the time.

USA TODAY set out to find out where the money was coming from, and where the money was going.

Here are some takeaways, 4A



Physician Cody Tigges checks on a young RSV patient last year in Iowa City, Iowa. JESSICA KOSCIELNIAK/USA TODAY

# Decadeslong dream for an RSV vaccine close to reality

Karen Weintraub USA TODAY

Across the U.S., pediatric hospital wards are filled with children fighting a virus few adults know much about.

Respiratory syncytial virus, which infects nearly everyone by age 2, usually goes unnoticed because it mostly causes a common cold.

But RSV is a leading cause of hospitalizations among newborns and children: 58,000 in a typical year.

"A lot of parents who come into the hospital and their babies are really sick with it tell me: 'I had no idea this even existed. I had no idea my baby could get so sick from this,'" said Dr. Elizabeth Schlaudecker, medical director of the Division of Infectious Diseases at Cincinnati Children's.

RSV also strikes at the other end of life: It causes more than 177,000 hospitalizations and 14,000 deaths among older adults every year.

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### Moving on and up

In an upturned labor market, workers who change jobs are seeing better pay. The percentage earning a better wage over the same month a year earlier:

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New employer Same employer



SOURCE: Pew Research Center AMY BARNETTE, TRACIE KEETON/USA TODAY



OREN ZIV/AP

# Netanyahu to bring in right-wing government

Benjamin Netanyahu's return to power will usher in one of the most right-wing governments in Israel's history. The far-right Religious Zionism party is expected to play a crucial role in Netanyahu's government. The party is known for its anti-LGBTQ policies and harsh rhetoric against Arab-Israelis and Palestinians. It also could affect Israel's relations with the U.S., its most important ally.

Rise of religious parties and their implications, 3A



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## ¡Hindú campeón!

Venció en una final apasionante al SIC

El equipo de Don Torcuato fue el mejor de la URBA y logró su 11° título tras el éxito por 30-25.



## CONMUEVE A LA MÚSICA LA MUERTE DE AARON CARTER

—sociedad

El cantante y actor tenía 34 años; había visitado varias veces la Argentina con su hermano, de Backstreet Boys; lo hallaron muerto en su casa de California. Página 26

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# Fernández se niega a decretar la suba salarial que reclama la vicepresidenta

**TENSIÓN.** “No va a haber aumento de suma fija”, dicen en la Casa Rosada; Máximo Kirchner cargó contra el plan de reelección

El enfrentamiento entre Alberto Fernández y Cristina Kirchner vuelve a escalar. El Presidente ya avisó que no concederá el aumento salarial de suma fija que el viernes le exigió su vice en un acto de la Unión Obrera Metalúrgica (UOM).

“No va a haber suma fija, no va a haber decreto; a lo sumo puede haber algún bono para algún sector particular”, dijeron a LA NACION fuentes de la Casa Rosada.

Tras las críticas de Cristina Kirchner, su hijo Máximo le dedicó ayer

un durísimo discurso al Presidente. Lo llamó a desistir del proyecto de reelección, al que calificó como “una aventura personal”. Y enfatizó: “La política es responsabilidad, no es poner cara de víctima y de ‘yo no fui’”. Página 13

## ESCENARIOS

## La purga a Alberto y la amenaza para 2023

Martín Rodríguez Yebra  
—LA NACION—

Cristina Kirchner encabezó el viernes la ceremonia festiva de una purga política. Sin nombrarlo, como corresponde a estos rituales, destruyó simbólicamente a Alberto Fernández del peronismo que ella conduce por derecho histórico. Sintió la necesidad de explicar al presidente que inventó en 2019 como un instrumento en una circunstancia única del país y del mundo. Continúa en la página 14

## La luna de miel de Massa y Cristina

José Del Río  
—LA NACION—

El jueves se cumplen los primeros 100 días de Sergio Massa al frente del Ministerio de Economía y la fecha que se autoimpuso como la de crédito tanto entre sus accionistas internos —Frente de Todos y albertismo— como entre la opinión pública. El contexto es cuando menos complejo. Inflación proyectada al 100%, dólares en extinción y cepos que cubren a toda la economía. Continúa en la página 16

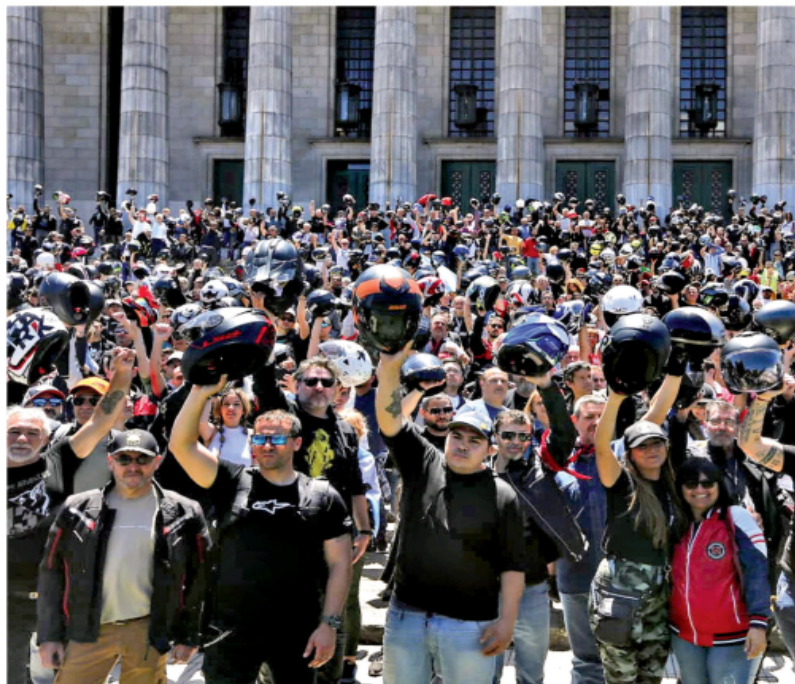
## Buscan recuperar tierras del exsecretario de Kirchner

**CUADERNOS.** Están en islas del Caribe y costaron US\$30 millones

La Justicia pugna por recuperar tierras en una isla del Caribe que formaron parte de las maniobras de lavado de la fortuna que amasó Daniel Muñoz, el fallecido exsecretario de Néstor Kirchner. Se trata de una inversión de 30 millones de dólares para la compra de terrenos en Turcas y Caicos que iban a usarse para levantar un complejo turístico de lujo.

Las maniobras para desarrollar ese negocio quedaron registradas en un expediente que se desprende de la causa de los cuadernos de las coimas, en el que está involucrada Carolina Pochetti, viuda de Muñoz. Página 20

## Motociclistas: un grito contra la inseguridad



**seguridad**—A una semana del crimen de Andrés Blaquier para robarle su moto en la Panamericana, una multitud de motociclistas se movilizó ayer para reclamar contra la inseguridad. Se concentraron en Figueroa Alcorta, frente a la Facultad de Derecho, y pidieron acciones concretas a la policía y la Justicia. Página 34

## EL ANÁLISIS

## El autoritarismo no ha muerto

Joaquín Morales Solá  
—LA NACION—

A patra y lejanía. Esas palabras sintetizan el estado de la sociedad frente a la política, según todos los estudios de opinión pública. Más del 60 por ciento de la gente común no les cree a los dirigentes políticos, incluidos desde Alberto Fernández y Cristina Kirchner hasta Javier Milei, pasando por los líderes de Juntos por el Cambio. Sin embargo, el kirchnerismo gobernante conserva sus peores métodos. Continúa en la página 39

## EE.UU. llega a una elección crucial con un ojo en 2024

**LEGISLATIVAS.** Un posible duelo entre Biden y Trump marca la campaña. Página 10

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Por celebrarse el Día del Canillita, mañana no se editará el diario en papel. Toda la información estará en [www.lanacion.com.ar](http://www.lanacion.com.ar).



## Elite brasileira capturou até 65% dos ganhos com educação

Estudo com dados de 40 anos sugere que os de menor renda têm salário pior mesmo se estudam mais

A elite econômica do país capturou até 65% dos ganhos que os trabalhadores brasileiros tiveram com o aumento na escolarização para o nível fundamental, 60% para o médio e 30% para o superior, nos últimos 40 anos, indica pesquisa recente.

O estudo de Guilherme Lichand e Maria Eduarda Perpetuo, da Universidade de Zurique, e Priscila Soares, da USP, se baseia em série histórica de 1980 a 2021, combinando resultados de Censo e Pnad. No aspecto econômico, a série vai até 2019.

Eles formularam um indicador chamado IIE (Índice de Iniquidade Educacional), cujo objetivo é medir os efeitos sobre o rendimento médio a partir do acesso à educação e do pertencimento a diferentes grupos (econômico, racial e de gênero).

A base é a população de 25 a 55 anos, que já estudou e ingressou no mercado. No período, apesar dos avanços, os 10% mais ricos continuaram ganhando até 50% mais que a metade mais pobre, ainda que tivessem o mesmo grau de instrução.

Segundo os pesquisadores, os resultados sugerem que o foco de combate à desigualdade deve estar nos primeiros anos de ensino e em políticas públicas voltadas para jovens e adultos e a evitar evasão escolar nos ciclos básicos e médios. Mercado A21

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Eleito devolve país à conferência, que começa hoje, com boas promessas que terá dificuldade interna em cumprir C4 e C5

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Candidato ao Senado após sofrer derrame, John Fetterman, vice-governador da Pensilvânia, casado com brasileira, trava disputa crucial nas legislativas de terça (8), informa Thiago Amâncio. Mundo A13

#### Guerra é lembrada no cotidiano das lojas de Moscou

Vitrines de lojas que já não existem e substituição de produtos por similares locais são lembretes da guerra, enquanto por ora retração do PIB é menor que a prevista, reporta Igor Gielow, de Moscou. Mundo A16

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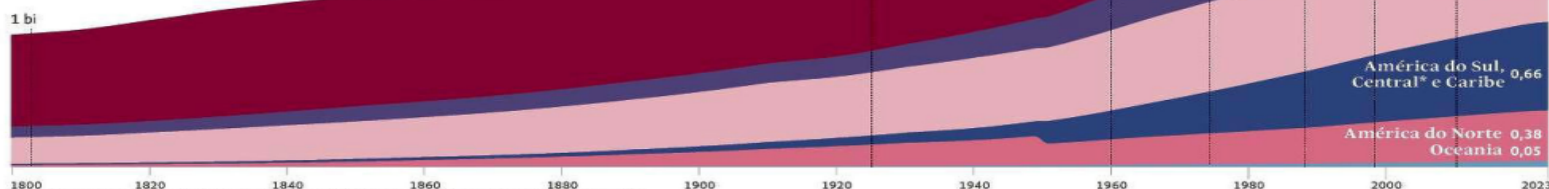
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### Hélio Schwartzman

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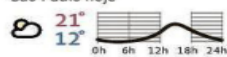
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# RN : un changement de tête parasité par la polémique

Après deux jours de haute tension à l'Assemblée provoquée par l'un de ses députés, Jordan Bardella devrait devenir le premier président du parti à ne pas porter le nom Le Pen.

Ce vendredi, après un bureau de l'Assemblée nationale exceptionnel sous tension, le député Grégoire de Fournas, qui avait lancé « qu'il retourne en Afrique » tandis que le dé-

puté Insoumis Carlos Martens Bilongo interpellait le gouvernement sur le sort des migrants dans la Méditerranée, a écopé de la peine maximale : l'exclusion temporaire de

quinze jours avec une diminution de l'indemnité parlementaire pendant deux mois. « Un procès politique (...) contraire à la démocratie et à la liberté d'expression », a

condamné Marine Le Pen. C'est donc dans ce contexte tendu que s'ouvre, ce samedi, le 18<sup>e</sup> congrès du RN à la Maison de la Mutualité, dans le 5<sup>e</sup> arrondissement de Paris.

Jordan Bardella devrait succéder à Marine Le Pen. Pour la première fois dans l'histoire du mouvement fondé il y a cinquante ans, le dirigeant ne portera pas le nom Le Pen.

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## Chicago redevient la capitale américaine du crime

Dans le West Side de Chicago, l'un des quartiers les plus dangereux d'Amérique, la violence par arme à feu a explosé depuis deux ans au point d'échapper à tout contrôle, plaçant l'insécurité au cœur des enjeux des législatives de mi-mandat. **PAGES 6 ET 7**

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## Mauvais théâtre

« **Qu'il retourne en Afrique.** » Bien sûr, les mots sont choquants. Ils ont été prononcés par un député du Rassemblement national dans l'hémicycle du Palais Bourbon. Pourtant, nul ne saura jamais s'ils étaient adressés à un député de La France insoumise d'origine africaine ou s'ils concernaient le renvoi d'un bateau de migrants. La provocation étant toutefois caractérisée, elle a été dûment sanctionnée. Certains exigeaient davantage : une démission. Mais n'était-ce pas oublier que ce député siège à l'Assemblée nationale par la seule volonté du peuple ? Ostensiblement heurté, outré, scandalisé, l'ensemble du personnel politique, d'Emmanuel Macron à Éric Ciotti, y va de son blâme, sans exception. Tous tiennent ici la preuve - inespérée - que le masque de la dédramatisation de l'extrême droite est enfin tombé : cette posture revendiquée n'était bien qu'une supercherie. RN ou FN, rien n'a changé ; Le Pen, fille ou père, c'est du pareil au même. Dans cette enceinte au style de plus en plus débraillé, la cravate des députés RN n'était que le cache-sexe du racisme de cette misérable formation...

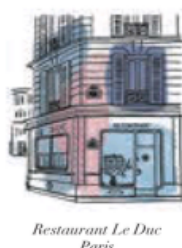
Si le doute est toujours permis, il en est un autre qui mérite aussi d'être exposé : et si ce charivari n'était que du mauvais théâtre ? À trop en faire, on ne trompe personne. Le dérapage de Grégoire de Fournas pourrait effectivement arranger tout le monde sur les bancs de l'Assemblée nationale. La majorité présidentielle en tête. Quelle aubaine pour mieux souligner la duplicité des amis de Mélenchon :

### Le dérapage du député RN arrange tout le monde

ces derniers font mine de s'indigner, mais n'hésitent pas à accepter les voix du diable pour tenter de censurer l'exécutif. Quelle opportunité pour La France insoumise, qui montre de la sorte qu'elle ne partage pas les mêmes valeurs que la droite extrême ; oubliés son islamisme-gauchisme aux relents antisémites et les violences conjugales. Quant aux élus LR, ils se disent que c'est l'occasion de récupérer des voix égarées, parties au Rassemblement national. Il ne s'agit pas d'excuser le propos de Grégoire de Fournas, tant s'en faut. Mais est-ce ainsi, par une semblable débauche d'hypocrisie, qu'ils feront reculer le Rassemblement national ? ■

## Voiture électrique : Thierry Breton sème le doute sur le calendrier

Et si la fin des ventes de voitures thermiques neues en 2035, que l'Union européenne vient d'approuver, n'était pas gravée dans le marbre ? Le commissaire chargé de l'Industrie, Thierry Breton, plaide pour faire le point en 2026 et, au besoin, reporter la date. Le virage industriel est si serré que le Français veut s'assurer qu'il sera bien négocié. Les constructeurs visent toujours l'échéance 2035, voire l'anticipent. **PAGES 22 ET 23**



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