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◆ **The deep inversion of the Treasury yield curve** is a sign that investors think the Fed is close to winning its inflation battle regardless of the cost to economic activity. **A1**

◆ **Home prices fell** in September from August, the first time prices have declined for three straight months in nearly four years. **A2**

◆ **AMC Networks** said it is planning to lay off about 20% of its U.S. employees and announced its CEO had stepped down less than three months after taking the reins. **B1**

◆ **Horizon Therapeutics** said it is fielding takeover interest and is "engaged in highly preliminary discussions" with Amgen, J&J's Janssen Global Services and Sanofi. **B1**

◆ **The S&P 500 and Nasdaq** fell 0.2% and 0.6%, respectively, while the Dow eked out a gain of 0.01%. **B13**

◆ **More shoppers flocked** to stores over the Thanksgiving weekend compared with last year, a sign many consumers are returning to pre-pandemic shopping behavior. **B1**

◆ **Royal Bank of Canada** said it would pay US\$10.1 billion for HSBC Holdings' Canadian operations. **B7**

◆ **Nestlé** said it would explore strategic options for its peanut-allergy drug, effectively putting it up for sale. **B1**

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◆ **Police fanned out** across China's big cities in a bid to prevent fresh protests, as security services harnessed the country's pervasive surveillance system to hunt down participants in mass demonstrations calling for an end to strict Covid curbs and criticizing national leaders. **A1, A7**

◆ **A jury convicted** Oath Keepers founder Stewart Rhodes and another member of the far-right militia group of seditious conspiracy in a trial stemming from the Jan. 6, 2021, assault on the U.S. Capitol. **A3**

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◆ **The Supreme Court** heard arguments on the executive branch's power to set priorities in enforcing immigration law, in a case that also tests the legal standing of states to bring their policy differences with Washington to court. **A5**

◆ **China is on pace** to challenge the U.S. militarily and prevent it from intervening in a crisis with Taiwan, including by expanding its stockpile of nuclear warheads, the Pentagon said in a report. **A6**

◆ **NATO's Stoltenberg** said the alliance recognized Russia's victory in Ukraine that would embolden Putin and other authoritarian leaders. **A8**

◆ **Congressional leaders** signaled that talks on reaching a long-term deal to fund the government remained difficult, following a meeting with Biden at the White House. **A4**

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U.S. Defeats Iran 1-0 to Move to Next Round at World Cup



ALL IN: Members of the U.S. soccer team celebrate after beating Iran 1-0 in their win-or-go-home match against Iran on Tuesday in Qatar. The U.S. will face the Netherlands on Saturday for a place in the quarterfinals. **A14**

Treasury Yield Curve Inverts To Deepest Level Since 1981

By SAM GOLDFARB

Yields on longer-term U.S. Treasuries have fallen further below those on short-term bonds than at any time in decades, a sign that investors think the Federal Reserve is close to winning its inflation battle regardless of the cost to economic activity.

A scenario in which short-term yields exceed long-term

yields is known on Wall Street as an inverted yield curve and is often seen as a red flag that a recession is looming.

Yields on Treasuries largely reflect investors' expectations for what short-term interest rates set by the Fed will average over the life of a bond. Longer-term yields are generally higher than shorter-term yields because investors want to guard against the risk of

unexpected inflation and rate increases.

At a basic level, an inverted curve means that investors are confident that short-term rates will be lower in the longer term than they will be in the near term. Typically, that is because they think the Fed will need to slash borrowing costs to revive a faltering economy.

The yield curve is more than just a little bent out of

shape at the moment.

Last week, the yield on the 10-year U.S. Treasury note dropped to 0.78 percentage point below that of the two-year yield, the largest negative gap since late 1981, at the start of a recession that pushed the unemployment rate even higher than it would later reach in the 2008 financial crisis.

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Blackouts Fuel Anger, Resistance In Ukraine

By MATTHEW LUXMOORE

KYIV, Ukraine—Doctors were operating on Ksenia Maikan's 14-year-old son at a hospital in the capital last week when she heard two explosions and saw the lights in the surgery room go out.

Russia had fired missiles at targets across Ukraine that morning, causing fresh power outages in major cities including the capital. Hospital staff scrambled to get patients and relatives to the bomb shelter, but Ms. Maikan chose to stay near her son, David, who was undergoing heart surgery for a congenital defect. The doctors continued to work as generators kicked in to power critical equipment and assistants shone lamps to illuminate the boy's chest.

"I felt this enormous anger at the state attacking our peaceful cities and preventing us from living our lives," Ms. Maikan, 50, said. "But I was

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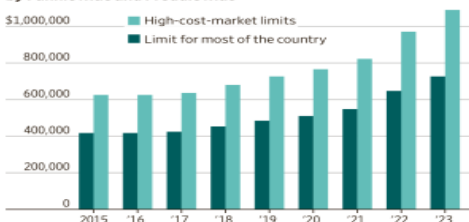


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\$1 Million Mortgages Backed

The federal government next year will start backstopping mortgages of more than \$1 million in high-cost markets. **A2**

Maximum size of single-unit mortgages eligible for backing by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac



Source: Federal Housing Finance Agency

Electric Cars Have A Charging Problem

Not enough stations, spotty equipment

By JENNIFER HILLER

One of the biggest roadblocks to the mass adoption of electric vehicles is the troubled business model for the commercial chargers that power them.

The government is pouring billions of dollars into developing a national high-way charging network. But

businesses aren't sure how they will make money, and the nascent industry looks messy.

Utility companies and gas stations are at war with each other over who will own and operate EV chargers. Rural states say some charging stations could operate at a loss for a decade or more. New

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College Presidents Fret When Their Own Teens Apply to Schools

Administrators admit they get jittery and irritate their children

By MELISSA KORN

Richard Holz filled out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, known as the Fafsa, for his two daughters. Like many parents, he found the process baffling.

"It's like they want to know your shoe size," says Dr. Holz.

"They want to know so much, and why is it relevant or pertinent?" he adds. "It should be so much easier."

His ordeal is striking given that he's not only a dad to a college-bound teen, he's also a top college administrator, specifically a provost at the Colo-

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Congress Is Poised To Stop Railroad Strike

House and Senate aim to pass bill imposing labor pact to prevent any economic damage

By KATY STECH PEREK

WASHINGTON—Congressional leaders agreed Tuesday to head off a nationwide strike by railroad workers, promising to pass legislation quickly that would avert a work stoppage and prevent damage to the economy despite their misgivings about intervening in the dispute.

Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D., Calif.) said House lawmakers would aim to pass legislation Wednesday that accepts the original labor union agreement negotiated by Biden administration officials plus additional railway worker benefits added from subsequent negotiations. In the Senate, where bipartisan support would be needed, leaders also said they would aim to quickly pass the legislation once it is sent over from the House, even as some lawmakers pushed for changes to the deal or said Congress should stay out of it.

"I don't like going against the ability of unions to strike, but weighing the equities, we

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Beijing Pursues Covid-19 Protesters With Surveillance

By RACHEL LIANG AND BRIAN SPEEGLE

BEIJING—Police fanned out across China's big cities Tuesday in an effort to prevent fresh protests, as security services harnessed the country's pervasive surveillance system to hunt down participants in mass demonstrations calling for an end to strict Covid curbs and criticizing national leaders.

Meanwhile, China's central public-health authorities urged local governments to avoid unnecessary and lengthy lockdowns—something that has sparked public ire after nearly three years of tough pandemic-control measures. Authorities also modulated their language about the dangers

posed by the virus, saying the now-prevalent Omicron variant causes less serious disease.

The National Health Commission appeared to deliver the government's first acknowledgment of the protests, if a subtle one, at a news briefing in Beijing. "The problems recently reflected by the masses are not primarily about pandemic prevention and control per se," said Chen Youquan, a senior official with the NHC. Instead, he said, people are dissatisfied by poor implementation of controls at the local level.

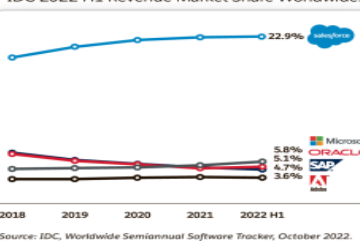
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Brexiteers have made Britain more European
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Taking aim Nato backs up Nordic hopes

A Finnish soldier takes part in exercises in Nurmes yesterday. Finland and Sweden are in the midst of applications to join Nato, sparked by Moscow's invasion of Ukraine in February.

The western military alliance's foreign ministers reaffirmed the commitment to the Nordic countries' accession, as well as that of Ukraine itself, at their meeting in Bucharest yesterday.

"[Vladimir Putin] will get Finland and Sweden as Nato members soon," said secretary-general Jens Stoltenberg.

"Russia does not have a veto. We stand by that too on membership for Ukraine."

The alliance pledged support for Ukraine as Russia targets its infrastructure. "Putin is trying to use winter as a weapon of war," Stoltenberg said. "To force Ukrainians to freeze or flee."

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The average Chinese city has six times as many CCTV cameras per 1,000 people as the most surveilled city outside China, the Indian city of Indore. Comparitech looked at 150 big cities, finding little correlation between surveillance and crime levels.

China enlists Alibaba and Tencent in battle to overcome US chip sanctions

► Push for semiconductor self-reliance ► Aim to cut dependence on Arm ► Open source design the key

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China has enlisted tech giants Alibaba and Tencent to aid its efforts in designing semiconductor chips, as Beijing braces itself for further US-led sanctions aimed at suppressing Chinese computing power.

The Chinese government has set up a consortium of companies and research institutes, including the Chinese Academy of Sciences, to create chip intellectual property. Beijing wants to reduce its dependence on SoftBank-owned Arm, whose technology underpins the majority of semiconductors around the world.

The group is using Risc-V — pronounced "Risc-five" — an open-source chip design architecture created in 2010 by the University of California,

Berkeley. Risc-V has emerged as a threat to Arm's business in recent years. Open-source code can be produced, accessed, used and enhanced by anyone.

Beijing's interest in Risc-V has grown as Washington has increased the pressure on China's tech sector by limiting access to cutting-edge chip components and machinery.

The US has been lobbying allies including the Netherlands and Japan to

cut Chinese tech companies out of their supply chains, as it did with the Huawei in 2019. That has led China to prepare for further disruption of the semiconductor supply chain.

Arm, which is headquartered in the UK, is seen as vulnerable to any ramping-up of US sanctions targeting Beijing because it supplies its designs to Chinese tech companies.

One Chinese official said the government-led effort to pool resources on Risc-V-based chip design would put China on the "right track".

The official added that the fragmented nature of Risc-V's development — hundreds of different companies use its open-source software architecture — was slowing the replacement of Arm's designs.

"Under the escalating US export controls, we need to prepare for the worst," the official added.

The government-backed consortium, known as the Beijing Open Source Chip Research Institute, has developed "Xiangshan", a high-performance Risc-V computer-processing chip aimed at matching Arm's IP.

The idea behind Risc-V was sparked by other open standards and software that have revolutionised the digital world. It has gained traction in the west since 2020, when the proposed \$66bn sale of Arm to US chipmaker Nvidia sent shockwaves through the semiconductor industry and pushed several companies to start looking more seriously at alternatives to Arm.

The deal later collapsed and SoftBank

is now planning to list Arm in New York next year.

"Risc-V started out as a curiosity next to Arm, then it became an alternative and now it's a competitor," said Richard Wawrzyniak, an analyst at Semico Research.

Apple has moved some of its embedded cores, which power technologies such as WiFi and Bluetooth, from Arm processors to Risc-V, according to two people briefed on its plans. Apple has also advertised jobs for engineers familiar with Risc-V.

Ron Black, chief executive of Codasip, which develops chip designs using Risc-V, said his company had raised money to design high-end processors "because many of our customers tell us we need to have an alternative to Arm".

Ma finds refuge from Beijing scrutiny by painting and collecting art in Tokyo

KANA INAGAKI AND LEO LEWIS — TOKYO
RYAN MCMORROW — BEIJING
TOM MITCHELL — SINGAPORE

Jack Ma, the Alibaba founder and once the richest business leader in China, has been living in Tokyo for almost six months, amid Beijing's crackdown on the country's technology sector and its most powerful figures.

Ma's months-long stay in Japan with his family has included stints in hot spring and ski resorts in the countryside outside Tokyo and regular trips to the US and Israel, according to people with direct knowledge of his whereabouts.

Ma has largely disappeared from public view since he criticised Chinese regulators two years ago, accusing state banks of having a "pawshop mentality" and calling for bold new players to extend credit to the collateral poor.

In that time, the companies he founded, Ant and e-commerce group Alibaba, have come under fire from Beijing. Regulators called off Ant's blockbuster \$37bn IPO initial public offering and fined Alibaba a record \$2.8bn for antitrust abuses last year.

His absence from China has coincided with the stiffening of President Xi Jinping's zero-Covid controls this year. They led to a harsh lockdown of Shanghai and the surrounding Yangtze river delta in April and May and sparked nationwide protests over recent days. Ma has a home in Hangzhou, a city near Shanghai where Alibaba is based.

Ma has kept a low profile in Tokyo, bringing his personal chef and security with him, and keeping his public activities to a minimum, said the people with direct knowledge of his whereabouts. His social activities centre on a hand-

ful of private members' clubs, one in the heart of Tokyo's swish Ginza district and another in the Marunouchi financial district facing the Imperial Palace.

People involved in Japan's modern art scene said Ma had become an enthusiastic collector. Friends close to the billionaire said he had turned to painting watercolours to pass the time after being forced to retreat from his frenetic business life. Others said Ma had used his time in Japan to expand his business interests beyond the core e-commerce technologies of Alibaba and Ant, and into the field of sustainability.

Ma's six months in Japan have coincided with a sell-down by SoftBank of its shareholding in Alibaba after the Japanese technology group suffered a heavy hit from a global tech rout this year.

The Jack Ma Foundation and Ant did not respond to requests for comment.



Arab nations unite behind Qatar in clash with west

Western hectoring over human rights has brought rare unity among Arab nations during the Qatar World Cup, helped by unlikely victories for the Saudis over Argentina and Morocco over Belgium. The host nation, which less than two years ago was shunned by Saudi Arabia, the UAE and Bahrain, has found favour. Now the west is the common target, for complaining about a lack of democracy while asking Doha for gas to replace Russian supplies.

Source of unity — PAGE 4

World Markets

STOCK MARKETS				CURRENCIES				GOVERNMENT BONDS							
	Nov 29	Nov 29	Prev	%Chg	Pair	Nov 29	Nov 29	Prev	%Chg	Yield (%)	Nov 29	Nov 29	Prev	%Chg	
S&P 500	3950.54	3963.94	-0.34	-0.01	\$/£	1.036	1.040	£/\$	0.966	0.962	US 2 yr	4.48	4.43	0.05	
Nasdaq Composite	10992.02	11049.50	-0.52	-0.01	\$/€	1.200	1.204	€/€	0.833	0.831	US 10 yr	3.72	3.69	0.04	
Dow Jones Ind	33756.78	33849.46	-0.27	-0.01	\$/¥	0.060	0.064	¥/\$	1.199	1.198	US 30 yr	3.76	3.74	0.02	
FTSE 100	1720.34	1720.84	-0.03	-0.01	\$/HK\$	1.38	1.325	HK\$/¥	140.254	140.254	UK 2 yr	3.27	3.35	-0.08	
FTSE MIB	3603.23	3605.51	-0.06	-0.01	\$/N¥	165.991	167.088	¥/N¥	79.243	79.243	UK 10 yr	3.09	3.12	-0.03	
FTSE AEX	7512.00	7474.02	0.51	0.01	\$/R¥	0.985	0.983	R¥/\$	1.142	1.138	UK 30 yr	3.35	3.38	-0.01	
FTSE ADX	4112.30	4096.49	0.34	0.01	CRYPTO										
FTSE ASE	6668.97	6665.20	0.08	0.01	Bitcoin	18272.48	18272.48	Prev	NextChg			JPY 2 yr	-0.04	-0.02	-0.02
Nikkei	14295.45	14303.36	-0.19	-0.01	Ethereum	1160.79	1160.79	Prev	NextChg			JPY 10 yr	0.25	0.25	0.00
Hang Seng	28027.84	28162.83	-0.48	-0.01	Bitcoin	1207.68	1162.09	3.48				JPY 30 yr	1.52	1.49	0.03
Shanghai	16504.68	17297.94	-0.54	-0.01								GER 2 yr	2.08	2.17	-0.09
MSCI World	2668.44	2703.67	-1.30	-0.01								GER 10 yr	1.82	1.89	-0.07
MSCI EM	930.77	941.01	-1.09	-0.01	COMMODITIES										
MSCI ACWI	617.15	625.15	-1.28	-0.01	Oil Wt1	78.99	77.24	2.14				GER 30 yr	1.82	1.88	-0.07
FT Wilshire 2500	5146.28	5229.12	-1.54	-0.01	Oil Brwn	64.71	63.83	0.48				Prices are subject to market fluctuations. Data provided by MarketWatch.			
FT Wilshire 5000	40185.42	40325.91	-1.59	-0.01	Gold Wt	1748.55	1751.85	-0.30							

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New York Aims To Clear Streets Of Mentally Ill

Moving to Hospitalize
Some Involuntarily

By ANDY NEWMAN
and EMMA G. FITZSIMMONS

Acting to address "a crisis we see all around us" toward the end of a year that has seen a string of high-profile crimes involving homeless people, Mayor Eric Adams announced a major push on Tuesday to remove people with severe, untreated mental illness from the city's streets and subways.

Mr. Adams, who has made clearing homeless encampments a priority since taking office in January, said the effort would require involuntarily hospitalizing people who were a danger to themselves, even if they posed no risk of harm to others, arguing the city had a "moral obligation" to help them.

"The common misunderstanding persists that we cannot provide involuntary assistance unless the person is violent," Mr. Adams said in an address at City Hall. "Going forward, we will make every effort to assist those who are suffering from mental illness."

The mayor's announcement comes at a heated moment in the national debate about rising crime and the role of the police, especially in dealing with people who are already in fragile mental health. Republicans, as well as tough-on-crime Democrats like Mr. Adams, a former police captain, have argued that growing disorder calls for more aggressive measures. Left-leaning advocates and officials who dominate New York politics say that deploying the police as auxiliary social workers may do more harm than good.

Other large cities have struggled with how to help homeless people, in particular those dealing with mental illness. In California, Gov. Gavin Newsom recently signed a law that could force some homeless people with disorders like schizophrenia into treatment. Many states have laws that allow for involuntary outpatient treatment, and Washington State allows people to be committed to hospitals if a judge finds that they pose a threat to themselves or others.

Officials in New York said the city would roll out training immediately to police officers, Emergency Medical Services staff and other medical personnel to "ensure compassionate care." But the city's new directive on the policy acknowledges that "the city does not provide extensive guidance regarding removals for mental health evaluations based on short interactions in the field."

The policy immediately raised

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Exhuming six bodies from a common grave in Pravydne, Ukraine, on Monday. There was evidence that the six had been executed.

Jolted Awake, Beijing Hurries To Quell Unrest

By CHRIS BUCKLEY

Reacting to China's boldest and most widespread protests in decades, the security apparatus built by Communist Party leader Xi Jinping is mobilizing on multiple fronts to quash dissent, drawing on its decades-old tool kit of repression and surveillance.

In a meeting of the party's top security leaders, reported in state media on Tuesday, officials were ordered to "resolutely crack down on illegal and criminal acts that disrupt social order." And by evening, the demonstrations already appeared to be smaller and more scattered, with new videos emerging on social media showing only groups of residents in several different locked-down developments demanding to be freed.

At the same time, the government announced that it would step up vaccinations of older adults. That move is deemed crucial to easing China's tight Covid controls that have fueled public anger, signaling that as Beijing suppresses dissent, it is also moving to address the problem underlying the protests.

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In Russians' Wake, Joy Quickly Turns to Horror

By JEFFREY GETTLEMAN

PRAVDYNE, Ukraine — First came small pieces of bone. Then a pair of arms tied at the wrists with rope.

And then the shovel unearthed a skull with a bullet hole, mouth cracked open, teeth covered in thick, black mud.

Even though scenes like this have been repeated across Ukraine wherever the Russians have retreated, the clump of villagers and police officers seemed stunned on Monday as they stood at the lip of a common grave in Pravydne, a village near the city of Kherson.

A cold rain pelted their backs, but they didn't move as the grave was exhumed. None of the villagers even knew the last names

In South as Elsewhere in Ukraine, Signs of Atrocities Emerge

of the six men who had been killed, execution-style, and then buried here, but that didn't matter. "They were Ukrainians," said Kostiantyn Podoliak, a prosecutor who had come to investigate.

And now their remains lay in a shallow grave because of it.

Kherson and the surrounding villages in southern Ukraine were liberated, after eight brutal months of occupation, when embattled Russian forces abruptly pulled out more than two weeks ago. Residents streamed into the

streets, waving flags, hugging soldiers and clinking glasses of cognac.

But as the days have passed, that elation has given way to mounting evidence of atrocities, and the sobering reality of battered, barely livable communities from which most civilians fled months ago and may not return to anytime soon. The Russians, on their way out, blew up power stations, taking down electricity, running water, heat and phone service, and casting residents back more than a century.

And though the Russians are gone, they continue to kill people in and around Kherson, a city that was home to some 280,000 people before the war. Nearly every morning, the whump of Russian

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One Is Enough for the U.S.

Christian Pulisic scored in a 1-0 victory over Iran as the U.S. advanced at the World Cup. Page B6.

Motivated by Federal Aid, Utilities Are Embracing Clean Energy

By ERIC LIPTON

WASHINGTON — Just two years ago, DTE Energy, a Michigan-based electric utility, was still enmeshed in a court fight with federal regulators over emissions from a coal-burning power plant on the western shore of Lake Erie that ranks as one of the nation's

largest sources of climate-changing air pollution.

But in September, Gerard M. Anderson, who led DTE for the last decade, was on the South Lawn of the White House alongside hundreds of other supporters of President Biden, giving a standing ovation to the president for his success in pushing a climate change package through Con-

Wind and Solar Power Now More Attractive

gress — a law that will help accelerate the closure of the very same coal-burning behemoth, known as DTE Monroe, that his company had been fighting to protect.

TOP LAWMAKERS RUSH TO PREVENT A RAIL SHUTDOWN

HEEDING CALL BY BIDEN

Bipartisan Effort Stoked
by Economic Concern
Before Holidays

By MICHAEL D. SHEAR
and EMILY COCHRANE

WASHINGTON — Democratic and Republican leaders in Congress vowed on Tuesday to pass legislation averting a nationwide rail strike, saying they agreed with President Biden that a work stoppage during the holidays next month would disrupt shipping and deal a devastating blow to the nation's economy.

The rare bipartisan promise to act came as some of the nation's largest business groups warned of dire consequences from a rail shutdown. Mr. Biden, who had promised to be the most pro-union president in the country's history, said the federal government must short-circuit collective bargaining in this case for the good of the country as a whole.

"It's not an easy call, but I think we have to do it," he told the top four lawmakers from both parties during a meeting at the White House on Tuesday morning, as the



President Biden met with congressional leaders on Tuesday.

Dec. 9 strike deadline loomed.

"The economy is at risk," Speaker Nancy Pelosi said the House would vote on Wednesday on a tentative agreement that Mr. Biden's administration had helped negotiate between rail companies and the unions earlier this year. The agreement raised wages but lacked provisions for paid medical or family leave.

Late on Tuesday, facing substantial frustration among progressives who demanded that the offer include paid leave, Ms. Pelosi said she would also bring up a separate proposal to add seven days of paid sick leave to the agreement. It is unclear whether Republicans in the Senate would agree to such an addition, but the plan to hold a vote illustrated the degree of discontent among union liberals about the agreement Mr. Biden struck.

"They demand the basic dignity of paid sick days. I stand with them," Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, Democrat of New York, said on Twitter. "If Congress intervenes, it should be to have workers' backs and secure their demands in legislation."

Senate leaders said they would work to pass legislation to avert the strike quickly after it passes the House, as expected. Senator

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Oath Keepers Leader Convicted Of Sedition in a Key Jan. 6 Case

By ALAN FEUER and ZACH MONTAGUE

Stewart Rhodes, the leader of the far-right Oath Keepers militia, was convicted on Tuesday along with one of his subordinates of seditious conspiracy as a jury found them guilty of seeking to keep former President Donald J. Trump in power through an extensive plot that started after the 2020 election and culminated in the mob attack on the Capitol.

The jury in Federal District Court in Washington found three other defendants in the case not guilty of sedition and acquitted Mr. Rhodes of two separate conspiracy charges.

The split verdicts, coming after three days of deliberations, were a landmark — if not total — victory for the Justice Department, which poured enormous effort into prosecuting Mr. Rhodes and his four co-defendants.

The sedition convictions marked the first time in nearly 20 years related to the Capitol attack that a jury had decided that the violence that erupted on Jan. 6, 2021, was the product of an organized conspiracy.

Seditious conspiracy is the most serious charge brought so far in any of the 900 criminal cases stemming from the vast investigation of the Capitol attack, an inquiry that could still result in scores, if not hundreds, of additional arrests. Mr. Rhodes, 57, was also found guilty of obstructing the certification of the election during a joint session of Congress on Jan. 6 and of destroying evidence in

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In her new cookbook, Tanya Holland offers many recipes that celebrate the Black farmers, cooks and artisans who changed California's cuisine. Page D9





U.S. ADVANCES IN WORLD CUP

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Christian Pulisic of the U.S. scores the game's only goal past Alireza Beiranvand of Iran during their World Cup match. The Americans needed a win to reach the final 16, and they got there just barely. They'll face the Netherlands on Saturday. **SPORTS, B10**

Partial deal won't stop strike at UC

Tentative pact covers two smaller bargaining units but not the key group: grad students.

BY TERESA WATANABE

The University of California and its postdoctoral scholars and academic researchers reached a tentative agreement Tuesday that would elevate their pay to among the highest in the nation — but they won't return to campus yet in solidarity with some 36,000 graduate student employees who remain on strike.

"We are proud to have reached agreements that address the soaring cost of living and reflect the value of our contributions at UC," Neal Sweeney, president of United Auto Workers 5810,

said in a statement. "These agreements represent a new, best-in-class model that will improve quality of life — and the quality of research — for scientists across the U.S." The tentative deal involves two smaller bargaining units and does not settle the uncertainty rolling campuses systemwide over how to handle grading and final exams as fall terms draw to a close. That's because the workers who do such hands-on work with students make up the vast majority of strikers — graduate student teaching assistants and researchers in two large units, UAW 2865 and SRU-UAW. They remain far apart on wage proposals.

At a news conference Tuesday, Sweeney said the tentative deal would put UC postdoctoral scholars at higher median pay levels [See Strike, A9]

A rocky road ahead for Biden, McCarthy

They scolded each other before elections. They soon may have to work together.

BY COURTNEY SUBRAMANIAN

WASHINGTON — President Biden, addressing a postelection gathering of congressional leaders at the White House on Tuesday, said he hoped he could work with Congress on funding the government, responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and supporting Ukraine. House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-Bakersfield) looked on stoically as Biden spoke. After the meet-

ing, he walked out of the White House and told the waiting cameras that while he "can work with anybody," he had told the president "it's going to be different" once Republicans take control of the House of Representatives next year.

Biden and McCarthy will have to cooperate come January, when McCarthy is expected to secure the speaker's gavel. Their relationship will determine not only the course of the remainder of Biden's term but also more practical questions such as whether the United States will default on its national debt.

But the two men have done anything but find compromise over the last two [See Relationship, A5]



GENARO MOLINA Los Angeles Times

PROTESTERS march Tuesday at Shine N Brite on Hawthorne Boulevard over the treatment of workers who were paid far less than minimum wage.

Wage theft case points up wide abuses at carwashes

Inglewood site is ordered to pay \$900,000 for shorting immigrant workers, a rampant practice in the industry

BY MARGOT ROOSEVELT

On a grimy Inglewood sidewalk, scores of protesters marched in circles, hoisting signs reading "Justice for Carwash Workers" and shouting "Down with greedy bosses," "Wash your car elsewhere" and "Stolen wages."

The Tuesday demonstration, mounted by labor and community groups, was aimed at the squat stuco facility of Shine N Bright, where a half-dozen workers were polishing and vacuuming cars.

In the latest crackdown against wage theft in Southern California, state officials had announced that morning that

they would penalize the Hawthorne Boulevard carwash operator more than \$900,000 for paying workers far below the minimum wage and denying them overtime and rest breaks.

Over a four-year period, 15 workers were allegedly paid a daily flat rate as low as \$70 for eight to 10 hours of work, at a time when the state minimum wage went from \$10.50 an hour to \$14 an hour for businesses with 25 or fewer employees.

"Wage theft is not fair," said Fausto Hernandez, a former Shine N Brite worker who addressed the crowd. Hernandez, 62, said workers had often complained to the carwash's owner, Michael Zarabi, "but he ignored us."

The \$70 flat [See Carwash, A12]

Gay marriage bill passed by Senate

Bipartisan measure would ensure same-sex and interracial unions are enshrined in federal law. **NATION, A4**

Racist recording inquiry advances

Search warrants target, among others, a Reddit account on which audio of L.A. leaders was leaked. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

Weather

Mostly sunny. L.A. Basin: 63/52. **B6**



OPIOID DEATHS SOAR IN L.A.

Fatal overdoses linked to fentanyl rose more than 1,200% from 2016 to 2021, county finds.

BY EMILY ALPERT REYES AND REBECCA ELLIS

The deadly toll from fentanyl comes as no surprise to Los Angeles County physicians and advocates who have been trying to save lives in hospitals and on the streets.

But that did not make the figures laid out in a newly released report from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health any less alarming: Deaths tied to illicit fentanyl have skyrocketed, with more than 13 times as many people losing their lives in 2021 as in 2016.

At a news conference Tuesday, county officials were joined by Juli Shamash, whose 19-year-old son Tyler died four years ago of an overdose involving fentanyl.

"Fentanyl is killing everyone and anyone," Shamash told reporters. "To the parents out there that think, 'Not my child,' think again. This is killing straight-A students, track stars. All races. All religions. All socioeconomic groups."

The findings underscore the threat of fentanyl, a synthetic opioid much more [See Fentanyl, A6]

Oath Keepers guilty of sedition

Jury convicts far-right group's founder, one other of rare charge for acts around Jan. 6.

BY LINDSAY WHITEHURST, ALANNA DUKKIN RICHIER AND MICHAEL KUNZELMAN

WASHINGTON — Oath Keepers founder Stewart Rhodes was convicted Tuesday of seditious conspiracy for a violent plot to overturn President Biden's election, handing the Justice Department a major victory in its prosecutions of those involved in the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol.

A Washington jury found Rhodes guilty of sedition after three days of deliberations in the nearly two-month trial that showcased the far-right extremist group's efforts to keep then-President Trump in the White House at all costs. Rhodes was acquitted of two other conspiracy charges.

A co-defendant — Kelly Meggs, who led the anti-government group's Florida chapter — was also con- [See Oath Keepers, A6]

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Red, white and through

BY STEVEN GOFF

DOHA, QATAR — When this World Cup journey began, with a band of young charges and a measure of fresh ambition, the U.S. men's national soccer team knew with high certainty its hopes of qualifying for the knockout stage would come down to a brave performance in the last group match.

Few teams advance after two games, and given this one's age and experience, the third act would test the program's progress and mettle after missing the tournament four years ago.

That critical moment arrived Tuesday, and in a game where only a victory would suffice to reach the knockout round, the Americans received a courageous goal by star forward Christian Pulisic late in the first

Pulisic's goal lifts the U.S. over Iran and into World Cup knockout stage

Americans, from left, Kellyn Acosta, Tim Ream and Antonee Robinson helped the young squad redeem a program that failed to qualify for the 2018 World Cup.

half and defeated Iran, 1-0, before 42,127 at raucous Al Thumama Stadium.

By finishing second in Group B, the United States (1-0-2) earned a round-of-16 meeting Saturday with the Netherlands, which won Group A with a 2-0-1 record. Iran (1-2-0) would have advanced with a draw.

"What I saw from the group was tremendous amount of focus, especially leading into the game; you could tell they're locked in," U.S. Coach Gregg Berhalter said. "The end of the game is really what I'm most proud of, because it's the mark of determination and extreme amount of effort and

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Iran: Team saw weeks of insults, threats. **A12**

Barry Svrluga: "Captain America" delivers. **D1**

Oath Keepers leader convicted of seditious plot

VINDICATION FOR JUSTICE DEPT.

Seldom-used charges indicate severity of Jan. 6

BY SPENCER S. HSU, TOM JACKMAN AND RACHEL WEINER

A federal jury on Tuesday convicted Oath Keepers founder Stewart Rhodes and a top deputy of seditious conspiracy for leading a months-long plot to unleash political violence to prevent the inauguration of President Biden,

culminating in the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the Capitol.

The panel of seven men and five women deliberated for three days before finding Rhodes and lead Florida Oath Keeper Kelly Meggs guilty of conspiring to oppose by force the lawful transition of presidential power. But three other associates were not convicted of the historically rare and politically freighted seditious count. All five were convicted of obstructing Congress as it met to confirm the results of the 2020 election. Both offenses are punishable by up to 20 years in prison.

Rhodes, 56, in a dark suit and black eye-patch from an old gun

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Senate passes protection for marriage equality

Bill safeguards same-sex, interracial unions; also nods to religious liberties

BY AMY B. WANG AND MARIANA ALFARO

The Senate on Tuesday passed the Respect for Marriage Act, which would enshrine marriage equality in federal law, granting protections to same-sex and interracial couples.

The bill passed in a 61-36 vote, with 12 Republicans joining Democrats to vote for it. Three senators did not vote. The bill includes a bipartisan amendment that

clarifies protections for religious liberties, and it will now return to the House for another vote before it can go to President Biden to sign into law.

The 12 Republican senators who voted yes were Roy Blunt (Mo.), Richard Burr (N.C.), Shelley Moore Capito (W.Va.), Susan Collins (Maine), Joni Ernst (Iowa), Cynthia M. Lummis (Wyo.), Lisa Murkowski (Alaska), Rob Portman (Ohio), Mitt Romney (Utah), Dan Sullivan (Alaska), Thom Tillis (N.C.) and Todd C. Young (Ind.).

Before the final vote, Collins stood to "thank all of the Republi-

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Upending dynamics: Vote reflects a years-long political shift. **A6**

Congressional leaders vow to avert rail strike

Bill imposing contract on union workers could go up for vote today

BY LAUREN KAORI GURLEY

Democratic leaders vowed to take up legislation to force a rail contract deal early Wednesday, despite objections from union members — and some in their own caucus — who raised concerns that the plan would not provide any paid sick days for workers.

That commitment threatened to plunge the divided, election-weary Capitol into yet another high-stakes, year-end debate, one that appeared to leave both parties' lawmakers uneasy, as rail workers could strike as early as Dec. 9.

While rail carriers and other industries have praised the proposed contract deal, brokered by

the White House in September, discontent and anger quickly surfaced from rank-and-file rail workers from four unions that have since voted down the deal. The four unions represent more than half of the unionized rail workers.

A rail strike would threaten the nation's coal shipments and supply of drinking water while also shutting down passenger rail and shipments of goods as the holiday season revs up. The U.S. economy could lose \$2 billion a day if rail workers strike, according to the Association of American Railroads, an industry trade group.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) said she would put the chamber on track to hold an imminent vote forcing a deal early Wednesday, as she looked to fill President Biden's request this week for a swift legislative intervention.

"From a timing standpoint, what we need to do right now is avoid the strike," Pelosi said Tuesday.

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From a bunker, an acting mayor keeps a town alive

Ukrainians desperate for aid stream into her underground office just miles from the front line



HEIDI LEVINE FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

Svitlana Mandrych, right, the acting mayor of Orkiv, Ukraine, with residents outside city hall.

BY SAMANTHA SCHMIDT AND SERHI KOROLCHUK

ORKIV, UKRAINE — It was the only time of day when the Russians weren't shelling, so the people of Orkiv rushed toward city hall, looking for the woman in charge.

They found the acting mayor, Svitlana Mandrych, where she always is, in the building's basement, running what is left of her town from a cramped bunker.

Much like the rest of Orkiv, the city hall's battered walls looked as if they were falling apart.

The second floor was blown out; the windows and doors were all shattered or badly damaged. The building has been hit by artillery fire so incessantly that 51-year-old Mandrych was forced to move her office to a cold, concrete-walled room underground, lit by

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More aid: U.S. will put \$53 million toward Ukraine's electrical grid. **A14**

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Va. special election Gov. Glenn Youngkin has yet to set a timeline to file the seat of U.S. Rep. A. Donald McEachin, who died Monday. **B1**

Chinese milestone A crew of three lifted off and docked with an orbiting station built by the country with big ambitions in space. **A11**

THE NATION A federal appeals court is considering whether police can block a passenger in a traffic stop from live-streaming the encounter. **A2**

Tensions are flaring in Rhode Island's capital over a \$10 million program that is open to White people but is described as a reparations fund. **A3**

Top GOP leaders Kevin McCarthy and Mitch McConnell criticized former president Donald Trump for his dinner with a white nationalist. **A4**

THE WORLD As French President Emmanuel Macron visits Washington, nuclear energy will be high on his agenda, even as it falters at home. **A8**

A Post reporter writes that her warm, decades-old memories of Seoul's Itaewon district are overshadowed by last month's deadly crowd crush. **A9**

China conducted more ballistic missile tests last year than the rest of the world combined and is on track to possess 1,500 nuclear weapons in the next decade, the Pentagon warns. **A10**

THE ECONOMY Shoppers spent \$35.4 billion online from Thanksgiving to Cyber Monday, but inflation took its toll. **A16**

Cryptocurrency exchanges were asked by a top Senate Democrat to explain how they would protect customers in a financial disaster. **A18**

While shopping online this holiday season, use research tips to avoid scams. **A22**

THE REGION Prosecutors dropped an assault charge against Christopher Geldart, a former D.C. deputy mayor of public safety and justice. **B1**

Casa Ruby's founder

diverted funds to herself and violated wage laws, the D.C. attorney general alleged in a civil case against the LGBTQ nonprofit. **B1**

The employee who authorities say killed six at a Virginia Walmart showed threatening behavior, a survivor alleged in a lawsuit. **B1**

A D.C. agency responsible for school building maintenance and repairs has been cited for work-order failures. **B2**

OBITUARIES Jim Bohannon, 78, a talk radio fixture, provided amiable companionship to millions of night owls during decades in syndication. **B6**

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FOOD Street food goes haute cuisine. A chef's restaurant inside New York's Lincoln Center honors the food, and people, of his youth. **B3**

STYLE Times Square casino? A bad bet. A gambling venue in the theater district's heart would be a tragedy, Peter Marks writes. **C1**

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IN NEWS**Oath Keepers boss guilty in Jan. 6 case**Stewart Rhodes was found guilty of seditious conspiracy and other charges tied to his role in the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol. **2A****Historic move on same-sex marriage**

Bill to enshrine rights into law heads to House

Sean Rossman, Savannah Kuchar, Ledyard King and Rachel Looker
USA TODAY

The Senate took a historic step Tuesday, passing legislation that would enshrine same-sex marriage rights into law and grant gay unions federal protection.

The vote to pass the Respect for Marriage Act was bipartisan – 61 to 36 – with a significant bloc of Republicans joining every Democrat in approving the landmark bill. It now heads to the House where it's expected to pass as early as next week.

Wisconsin Democrat Sen. Tammy Baldwin, the first openly gay person to serve in the Senate, said its passage should allay the concerns of same-sex and interracial couples worried their civil marriage could be stripped away.

"The Senate has the opportunity to put those fears to rest and give millions of people in same sex and interracial marriages the certainty, dignity and respect that they need and

See **MARRIAGE**, Page 4A**Despite better forecasting, US hurricane deaths mount**Dinah Voyles Pulver
USA TODAY

Even though the 2022 Atlantic hurricane season officially ends Wednesday, its repercussions will linger long into the future.

The season wound up near normal despite forecasts for above-average activity, but it was notable for the death and destruction wrought by Hurricanes Fiona, Ian and Nicole.

In Puerto Rico, Fiona dealt a blow to the long-term recovery efforts from Hurricane Maria five years ago, briefly knocking out electricity to the entire island.

On Florida's east coast, residents are working to prevent battered beachfront properties from collapsing into the ocean after first Ian, then Nicole

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Goalkeeper Matt Turner celebrates after the United States men's national team wins a group stage match against Iran on Tuesday at Al Thumama Stadium in Doha, Qatar. Christian Pulisic's first-half goal held up as the United States defended furiously in the second half to advance to the knockout stage of the 2022 World Cup. The American team will face the Netherlands in the Round of 16 on Saturday. **More coverage in Sports, 1C****BROKEN ADOPTIONS** USA TODAY INVESTIGATION**Door closes on families' dreams**

After agency shutters, clients are left only with anguish, anger

Marisa Kwiatkowski
USA TODAYAn adoption center headquartered in California knew its financial foundation was crumbling, but it continued to take money from clients up to the very week it abruptly closed its doors – devastating thousands of families across the country. **USA TODAY** investigates what went wrong. *This is the final part in a three-part series.***Jan. 31, 2017 - 0 days to closure**

Marcia Hodges, the Independent Adoption Center's interim director, dropped the news on employees in a conference call Jan. 31, the federal records show. The center's closure was effective immediately, and the agency would be filing for bankruptcy. She told employees to leave \$250 on their desks if they wanted to keep their computers.

The California-based agency, which operated in eight states, had listed about 50 employees on its website as of late 2016. Now they were out of jobs.

More than losing her job, outreach coordinator Rebecca Koppenhaver grieved the loss of what the agency represented. As an adoptee herself, Koppenhaver said she understood firsthand the shame and hurt that could come from a closed adoption. She believed in the IAC's philosophy on continued contact between birth and adoptive families. She said her colleagues believed in it, too, and did their best to help families.



When Chara Powell and Andrew Rivera welcomed their son, Joshua, 5, into their home, the Independent Adoption Center shut down before Joshua's adoption was final. For months, the couple lived in fear that Joshua would be taken away. They're now adopting their second child, Andie, right. ROBERT HANASHIRO/USA TODAY

"I think their work was very important," she said. "It's just sad."

Indiana resident Stacey Green, who had joined the IAC with her husband a year earlier after struggles with infertility, was pulling into her garage, the car still running, when her cellphone rang.

It was Kathy Wilkerson, director of the IAC's Indiana office, calling to say the agency was permanently closed.

Green sat in disbelief. It had been less than a year since she and her husband, Mark, had taken a cash advance on their

See **ADOPTIONS**, Page 6A**ABOUT THIS SERIES**USA TODAY has been investigating adoption failures. Read more of the unfolding project here: [brokenadoptions.usatoday.com](https://www.usatoday.com/story/brokenadoptions).**ABOUT THE STORY: PART 3 OF 3**

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La disputa entre el magnate y uno de los principales anunciantes de su red pone de nuevo el foco en el monitoreo de la libertad de expresión en internet. **Página 6**

UNA GUÍA PARA EVITAR PROBLEMAS EN LAS VACACIONES

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Desde las pautas por los rebrotes de Covid-19 hasta el manejo de la tarjeta de crédito en el exterior, los cambios que hay que tener en cuenta en la temporada. **Página 22**

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Cristina lanzó su último ataque contra el tribunal y en 7 días se sabrá si la condenan

CAUSA VIALIDAD. La vicepresidenta calificó ayer a los jueces de "pelotón de fusilamiento"

El tribunal que juzga a Cristina Kirchner en el caso Vialidad anunció ayer que dentro de una semana, el martes 6 de diciembre, dará a conocer su veredicto. Fue después de que la vicepresidenta expuso sus "últimas palabras" en este juicio y dijo que estaba siendo sometida a un "pelotón de fusilamiento".

La vicepresidenta lanzó ayer acusaciones políticas y apuntó escasamente a las pruebas acumuladas en la causa sobre la corrupción en la obra pública de Santa Cruz, que según la denuncia buscó favorecer al empresario kirchnerista Lázaro Báez.

Cristina Kirchner cuestionó, una

vez más, a los fiscales Diego Luciani y Sergio Mola, que pidieron para ella una pena de 12 años de prisión y la inhabilitación para ejercer cargos públicos, por los delitos de fraude al Estado y asociación ilícita. Y dijo que los fiscales bien podrían ser "periodistas estrellas de Clarín o LA NACION". **Página 8**

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Habita en el pasado. Cristina Kirchner les habló ayer a los argentinos de 65 años o más. ¿Qué argentino con menos edad que esa podría tener una vaga noción de los fusilamientos de Trelew, que sucedieron hace 50 años, en 1972, durante el gobierno de facto de Alejandro Lanusse? **Continúa en la página 10**



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La selección, ante otro partido bisagra: Polonia, la prueba para llegar a octavos

Es a las 16; con un triunfo no dependerá de nadie para avanzar en el Mundial

Se renueva el desafío para la Argentina, que cerrará su participación en el grupo C del Mundial con una ventaja sustancial: depende de sí misma para avanzar a los octavos de final. Si derrota a Polonia, desde las 16, el equipo de Scaloni se instalará entre

las 16 mejores selecciones de la Copa. El DT no confirmó la formación, pero se presumen entre dos y tres variantes con relación al equipo que venció a México, en este caso considerando la altura y la fortaleza física de los europeos. **Deportes Mundial**

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Por la sequía, caerá fuerte el ingreso de dólares

CÁLCULO. Por la sequía que afecta a la producción agropecuaria, el ingreso de divisas por exportaciones caerá entre US\$9700 millones y poco más de US\$15.800 millones en 2023 respecto de este año. Según una proyección de la Bolsa de Comercio de Rosario, si no se revierte la situación climática, habría una baja de la producción de soja y maíz, que se suma a la ya registrada con el trigo. **Página 16**

Un narco detenido por el crimen en un sindicato

VIOLENCIA. Un arresto confirmó la teoría sobre la mortal irrupción de narcos en una interna gremial. Ramón Vallejos, integrante de un clan de vendedores de drogas, fue detenido en Rosario cuando conducía el vehículo usado por el sicario que mató, el 19 del actual, a Mauricio Cordara, chofer del exdiputado Pablo Ansaldi y candidato en la próxima elección de la Uatré. **Página 26**

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EUA batem Irã e encaram a Holanda nas oitavas

Em duelo de arquirrivais geopolíticos, com clima amistoso no estádio, a seleção dos EUA vingou derrota de 1998, eliminou o Irã por 1 a 0 e pega a Holanda no sábado (12h). Pulisic, o "LeBron James do soccer", definiu. Senegal e Inglaterra também passaram e jogam domingo (16h). p.1 e p.2

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Lateral esquerdo também desfalca grupo contra Camarões na sexta (2), e Tite pode montar time misto. Paquetá e Antony têm gripe, e Neymar teve febre. p.3

Ao fim do ensino médio, apenas 5% sabem matemática

Apenas 5% dos estudantes terminam o ensino médio em escola pública com o aprendizado adequado em matemática, aponta estudo com base nos resultados do Saeb 2021. A maioria não consegue resolver, por exemplo, questões de porcentagem. Cotidiano B1

Governo zera caixa de universidades e institutos federais

O governo Jair Bolsonaro (PL) congelou R\$ 366 milhões do orçamento do ensino superior a pouco mais de um mês para o fim do ano. MEC afirma que não participou de decisão, tomada pela equipe do ministro Paulo Guedes (Economia). Cotidiano B1

Tarcísio terá salário 50% maior e efeito cascata

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Casamento gay será direito federal nos EUA

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Penduricalho restaurado
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Americanos (de azul) e iranianos se saúdam antes do jogo, conforme protocolo; no duelo pela Copa de 1998, seleção do Irã ofereceu flores. *Fabrizio Bensch/Reuters*

Insubordinação de chefes das Forças acelera transição

A decisão conjunta dos comandantes das Forças Armadas de deixar o cargo antes do fim do ano obrigou o presidente eleito, Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva (PT), a acelerar a indicação de um novo ministro da Defesa para driblar uma crise militar logo no início de seu governo.

A escolha do ex-deputado e ex-ministro do Tribunal de Contas da União José Múcio Monteiro para a pasta é dada como certa. Múcio é visto como habilidoso por oficiais-generais, ainda que sem experiência nas especificidades do ministério. Política A4

Militar do Planalto vai a atos e diz que Lula não sobe rampa

Lotado no GSI, primeiro-sargento da Marinha Ronaldo Ribeiro Travassos afirma em áudios e vídeos que Lula não tomará posse. Procurado, disse que não comentaria. A6

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Lula convida MDB, União e PSD para base do governo

Presidente eleito se reúne com líderes dos três partidos focado em garantir aprovação da PEC da Transição

O presidente eleito, Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva (PT), entrou de vez na formação da base de partidos que dará sustentação ao seu governo na Câmara e no Senado.

Ele se reuniu em Brasília com representantes do MDB, da União Brasil e do PSD para convidar as três siglas a fazerem parte de sua base no Congresso.

Segundo aliados, a prioridade do petista é garantir a aprovação da PEC da Transição em ambas as Casas em dezembro e articular a formação de blocos. Senadores, sobretudo, esperavam esse gesto de Lula. Ele ainda deve se encontrar com os chefes da Câmara, Arthur Lira (PP-AL), e do Senado, Rodrigo Pacheco (PSD-MG).

Em paralelo, PT, PC do B, PV e PSB anunciaram apoio oficial à recondução de Lira — a votação da Presidência da Câmara será em 1º de fevereiro de 2023. Com isso, o deputado alagoano já tem votos suficientes para a reeleição. Os futuros governistas desejam ocupar postos na CCJ e na relatoria do Orçamento de 2024. Política A10



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MICHELLE BOLSONARO DÁ BANHO DE ESGUICHO EM PAPAI NOEL

Em Natal para crianças no Alvorada ontem, primeira-dama também se banhou com mangueira de carro de bombeiros

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A revisão de projeções de arrecadação para 2023 pode aliviar o impacto da PEC da Transição no déficit das contas do país, segundo integrantes da equipe de transição. Para economistas de fora do governo, receita está subestimada. Mercado A17

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Macron aux États-Unis pour désamorcer les tensions

Quatre ans après avoir été reçu par Donald Trump, le président français espère convaincre Joe Biden de revoir un plan de lutte contre l'inflation que l'UE juge contraire à ses intérêts.

Emmanuel Macron était attendu mardi soir à Washington pour une visite d'État qui mêlera les fastes de la Maison-Blanche aux discussions stratégiques avec Joe

Biden sur la guerre en Ukraine et le protectionnisme commercial des États-Unis. Le président français entend notamment évoquer le plan massif de soutien à la

transition énergétique, ou Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), qui accorde de généreuses subventions aux véhicules électriques, batteries ou énergies renouvelables à

condition qu'ils soient « made in America ». La France redoute que ce plan favorise des délocalisations et sache les efforts de réindustrialisation qu'elle a en-

trepris. Mais ces frictions ne devraient pas gâcher cette visite d'État, la deuxième pour Emmanuel Macron, qui fut l'invité d'honneur de Donald Trump en 2018.

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Statues, œuvres d'art, matériel hospitalier... Le grand pillage des Russes à Kherson

Avant la libération de la ville, le 11 novembre, les Russes et leurs affidés s'étaient emparés de tout ce qu'ils pouvaient voler, emportant jusqu'aux reliques et la statue du prince Potemkine, le fondateur de la ville. PAGE 9

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Malentendu transatlantique

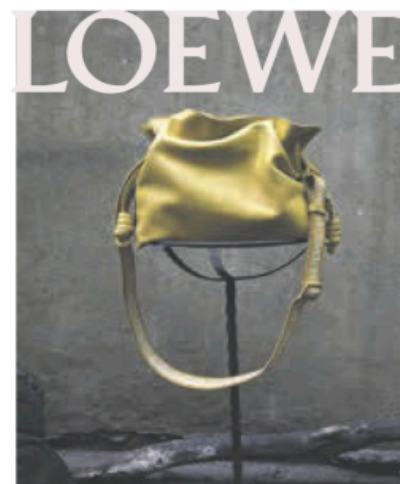
Emmanuel Macron a ça dans le sang. Se frotter aux dirigeants du monde, leur parler en égal, chercher à les convaincre sans craindre de leur résister, cela lui est naturel depuis ses premiers pas sur la scène internationale. Ce jeune président de 44 ans est habité par la conscience aiguë de représenter un pays qui compte, sinon par sa seule puissance économique et militaire, en tout cas par son histoire et son rayonnement. À cela s'ajoute l'immense confiance en soi du chef de l'État, qui le pousse à se mettre en avant, à prendre des initiatives, à intercéder pour toujours être en pointe sur les crises et les grands enjeux planétaires. Un trait qui nourrit autant d'admiration que d'agacement chez les Français. On l'a vu à l'œuvre auprès de Donald Trump, dans une sorte de mano a mano viril et faussement amical qui n'a pas empêché l'ancien président américain de déclarer une guerre commerciale à l'Europe. On l'a vu avec Vladimir Poutine à Moscou, où les missions diplomatiques et le tuteurage n'ont pas comblé la distance ni fait dévier le cours de la catastrophe en Ukraine. On devrait le voir sous peu en Chine, auprès d'un Xi Jinping tout-puissant et hermétique aux leçons occidentales, sauf intérêt commercial...

Pour l'heure, voici Emmanuel Macron à son affaire à Washington, reçu comme le plus important des dirigeants européens, gratifié de la première visite d'État sous la présidence de Joe Biden. Cela marque la place qu'occupe aujourd'hui la France dans la relation transatlantique, alors que le Royaume-Uni est sorti de l'UE et que l'Allemagne peine à se libérer de sa dépendance envers la Russie et la Chine. Le locataire de l'Élysée y voit aussi une responsabilité : celle de parler au nom de l'Europe, qui estime payer au prix fort l'impact économique des sanctions contre la Russie et accuse les États-Unis de manquer de solidarité. Loin d'envisager des concessions, la Maison-Blanche réfute, avec une pointe d'indignation, le soupçon qu'elle tirerait avantage du conflit en Ukraine, soulignant au contraire l'ampleur de son engagement et demandant aux Européens de rehausser leur aide. C'est le malentendu transatlantique que Vladimir Poutine attendait depuis des mois. Une nouvelle épreuve pour la capacité d'influence du président Macron. ■

La grogne monte chez les médecins libéraux

Les syndicats appellent les médecins de ville à fermer leur cabinet les 1^{er} et 2 décembre pour manifester leur mécontentement. Après les milliards déversés sur l'hôpital à l'issue du « Ségur de la santé », les libéraux se sentent oubliés. Ils réclament une forte revalorisation du prix de la consultation pour rattraper leurs voisins européens (46 euros en moyenne). Ils protestent également contre la possibilité donnée aux pharmaciens et aux infirmières de pratiquer certains actes médicaux. PAGE 22

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Drug success heralds 'new era' of progress in Alzheimer's research

Clinical trial result gives experts hope that the disease may be treatable

Ian Sample
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Researchers have hailed the dawn of a new era of Alzheimer's therapies after a clinical trial confirmed that a drug slows cognitive decline in patients with early stages of the disease.

The landmark result comes after decades of failure and has encouraged experts to say Alzheimer's – which affects 30 million people globally – is potentially treatable.

"This is the first drug that provides a real treatment option for Alzheimer's patients," said Bart De Strooper, director of the UK Dementia Research Institute at University College London.

"While the clinical benefits appear somewhat limited, it can be expected that they will become more apparent over time."

The drug, lecanemab, is an antibody therapy that removes clumps of protein called beta amyloid that build up in a brain with Alzheimer's. It is unclear how much the clumps drive Alzheimer's, but in patients with inherited forms of the disease, they appear to pave the way for a cascade of brain changes that steadily destroy brain cells.

Lecanemab's developers, Biogen in the US and Eisai in Japan, announced top line results from the clinical trial in nearly 1,800 patients in September, but researchers have

anxiously awaited the full data which were published yesterday in the *New England Journal of Medicine*. This showed the drug reducing the decline in patients' overall mental skills by 27% over 18 months – a modest but significant result.

"I believe it confirms a new era of disease modification for Alzheimer's disease. An era that comes after more than 20 years of hard work on anti-amyloid immunotherapies," said Nick Fox, professor of clinical neurology and director of the Dementia Research Centre at UCL.

Alzheimer's accounts for nearly two-thirds of the 55 million people living with dementia worldwide. It is the leading cause of death in the UK, with patients typically dying within seven years of a diagnosis.

The condition costs the UK £25bn a year, a number expected to nearly double to £47bn by 2050. For decades, efforts to slow, halt or reverse the disease have failed, costing pharmaceutical firms billions of dollars and forcing some to leave the field altogether. The positive results from lecanemab are

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Census puts church's role in the spotlight

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Census results revealing England is no longer a majority Christian country have led to calls for an end to the church's role in parliament and schools while Leicester and Birmingham became the first UK cities with "minority majorities".

For the first time in a census less than half the population of England and Wales – 27.5 million people – described themselves as "Christian", 5.5 million fewer than in 2011. It triggered calls for urgent reform of laws requiring Christian teaching and worship in schools and Church of England bishops to sit in the House of Lords.

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Rashford puts England through at the double

Gareth Southgate hugs Marcus Rashford after his two goals in a 3-0 defeat of Wales helped put England into the last 16 of the World Cup. England will play Senegal on Sunday. **News and Sport** →



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