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Business & Finance

Apple plans to significantly expand its data-encryption practices, a step likely to create tensions with law enforcement and governments worldwide as the company continues to build new privacy protections. **A1**

◆ **Federal lawmakers** dealt a setback to Boeing, proposing a defense bill that didn't exempt two new 737 MAX models from a new regulatory requirement, as the plane maker had sought. **B1**

◆ **Indiana sued TikTok**, alleging that it is deceiving consumers about its content and data security, the latest in a series of moves by state officials to push back against the platform's influence on children and its ties to China. **A3**

◆ **Carvana hired** a financial adviser and its creditors banded together to protect themselves, according to people familiar with the matter. The firm's shares sank 43% on fears of a restructuring. **B1**

◆ **The S&P 500** fell 0.2%, its fifth straight day of losses, while the Nasdaq shed 0.5%. The Dow added 1.58 points, or less than 0.1%. **B11**

◆ **Google plans** to combine the team working on the mapping service Waze with the group overseeing the company's Maps product. **B1**

◆ **FTX's new management** has hired forensic investigators from AxiPartners to help track billions of dollars that have gone missing. **B4**

◆ **The SEC signaled** plans to issue four proposals next week that aim to help small investors get better prices on their stock trades. **B10**

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◆ **China dropped** many of its quarantine and testing requirements and curtailed the power of local officials to shut entire city blocks, as the government accelerates plans to dismantle zero-Covid controls in the wake of nationwide protests. **A1**

◆ **Chinese exports** fell at the steepest pace in more than two years in November. **A12**

◆ **German authorities** said they had dismantled a suspected terror cell on suspicion of planning to overthrow the government, rekindling concerns in the country about the risks posed by domestic terrorists. **A1**

◆ **The Supreme Court** considered stripping state courts of the power to review partisan gerrymanders of congressional districts, examining an argument that is sometimes called the independent state legislature theory. **A4**

◆ **A search of a Florida** storage facility conducted on behalf of lawyers for Trump turned up two additional documents with classified markings, people familiar with the operation said. **A6**

◆ **Russia took steps** to bolster its defenses after a string of strikes deep within its borders that it blamed on Kyiv, while Moscow's forces launched drones and missiles at southern Ukraine. **A11**

◆ **Democrats and Republicans** are running out of time to reach a deal funding the government for the full fiscal year, as negotiations remained at loggerheads over the level of non-defense spending. **A6**

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Peru's President Ousted After Move to Dissolve Congress



BACKLASH: Lawmakers celebrated in Lima, Peru, after voting to remove President Pedro Castillo from office Wednesday, shortly after he plunged the country into turmoil by announcing he would dissolve the legislature to avoid impeachment. **A10**

Apple Beefs Up User Security, Risking Law Enforcement Ire

Apple Inc. is planning to significantly expand its data-encryption practices, a step that is likely to create tensions with law enforcement and govern-

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ments around the world as the company continues to build new privacy protections for millions of iPhone users. The expanded end-to-end encryption system, an optional feature called Advanced Data Protection, would keep most

data secure that is stored in iCloud, an Apple service used by many of its users to store photos, back up their iPhones or save specific device data such as Notes and Messages. The data would be protected in the event that Apple is hacked, and it also wouldn't be accessible to law enforcement, even with a warrant.

While Apple has drawn attention in the past for being unable to help agencies such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation access data on its encrypted iPhones, it has been able to provide much of the

data stored in iCloud backups upon a valid legal request. Last year, it responded to thousands of such requests in the U.S., according to the company.

With these new security enhancements, Apple would no longer have the technical ability to comply with certain law-enforcement requests such as for iCloud backups—which could include iMessage chat logs and attachments and have been used in many investigations.

The company said the security enhancements, which were announced Wednesday, are de-

signed to protect Apple customers from the most sophisticated attackers.

"As customers have put more and more of their personal information of their lives into their devices, these have become more and more the subject of attacks by advanced actors," Craig Federighi, Apple's senior vice president of software engineering, said in an interview.

Some of these actors are going to great lengths to get their hands on the private information of people they have tar-

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Ex-Theranos President Sentenced



Ramesh 'Sunny' Balwani, former business partner and boyfriend of Theranos founder Elizabeth Holmes, was sentenced to nearly 13 years in prison for fraud. **B1**

Tensions Built at Salesforce Before Leadership Shuffle

Tensions had been growing between Salesforce Inc.'s co-chief executives, Marc Benioff and Bret Taylor, over their responsibilities and how the

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and Lauren Thomas

business was run for months before the business-software provider said last week that Mr. Taylor would exit from the role, people familiar with the executives said.

Mr. Benioff, who is also co-founder, became frustrated about how Mr. Taylor was

spending his time, the people said. Among his concerns was whether Mr. Taylor were spending too much time in a new role as Twitter Inc.'s chairman, too much time with other CEOs and customers and not enough time on Salesforce product and engineering, the people said.

While the two had worked well together, cracks started forming in recent months that created friction between the men, the people familiar with the matter said.

Ahead of Salesforce's announcement that Mr. Taylor would exit, there was some

discussion about trying to work things out and arranging for Mr. Taylor to stay for another year or so, but that didn't pan out, some of the people said.

The growing strains ultimately resulted in Salesforce's announcement last week that Mr. Taylor would vacate the co-CEO role on Jan. 31, with Mr. Benioff becoming the sole leader again and continuing to serve as the company's chairman. Mr. Taylor, 42 years old, has shared the top role with Mr. Benioff for about a year. His planned departure marks

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Cracking the Case: Fabergé Or Fauxbergé?

Justice

Department in egg debate

By Stu Woo
and Aruna Viswanatha

When a U.S. Justice Department official said in July the agency might have seized a Fabergé egg on a Russian yacht, the world's Fabergé experts had one reaction: "We'll believe it when we see it."

Only 45 of the jeweled Easter eggs, each worth millions of dollars, are believed to exist. Peter Carl Fabergé crafted the ovals, which often conceal yet another exquisite treasure inside, for Russian royalty.

The whereabouts of 43 are known. The odds of one of the missing two showing up on

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Housing Market Stumps Forecasters

Demand has seized up, supply is low, prices are frozen and no one agrees what's next

By Nicole Friedman
and Nick Timiraos

Home sales have plunged. Buyers, facing the fastest-rising mortgage rates in decades, are scrapping their plans. And forecasters have rarely disagreed so much over where the market goes next.

By many measures, the housing market entered a sharp slump this summer after the Federal Reserve abruptly ended a real-estate boom fueled by the pandemic and record-low borrowing rates.

Mortgage rates climbed above 7% to 20-year highs in October and November before ticking lower in recent weeks. Existing-home sales have dropped for nine straight

months through October, the longest streak since the National Association of Realtors began tracking this data in 1999.

It is typical for rising interest rates to cool the housing market. But the speed of this year's mortgage-rate increase has created a sense of whiplash among buyers and sellers, and that makes it difficult to predict how long the housing slump will last and how bad it will get.

Contradictory signals abound. Demand has tumbled, but the supply of homes is still low. Prices have fallen but are well above their pre-pandemic levels. Interest rates are sky-high compared with a year ago, but below where

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German Raids Foil Alleged Terror Plot For Rightist Coup

By Bojan Pancevski

German authorities said they had dismantled a suspected terror cell on suspicion of planning to overthrow the government, rekindling concerns in the country about the risks posed by domestic terrorists.

Twenty-five people who were partly inspired by the QAnon conspiracy theory were arrested in the early hours of Wednesday, 22 of whom are suspected of conspiring to foment a coup, the federal prosecutor said. Their alleged plans included an armed storming of the federal parliament. The other three, including a Russian citizen living in Germany, are suspected of supporting the group, the prosecutor said.

More than 3,000 police officers including special forces conducted raids at 150 proper-

ties across Germany, Italy and Austria, in one of the largest operations of its kind in recent history, officials said.

"This organization has, according to our knowledge, set the goal of using violence and military means to overthrow the existing liberal democratic order in Germany," federal prosecutor Peter Frank said Wednesday. Its members believed Germany was governed by a so-called deep state and would soon be freed by a secret society of officials and military officers from the U.S., Russia and elsewhere, he said. After years focused on countering the threat posed by Islamist terrorists, German authorities have widened their focus to far-right militants following a spate of attacks. These included the 2019 kill-

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Putsch foiled Plotters held in Germany

Masked police lead Heinrich XIII Prince Reuss, second from right, to a police vehicle after arresting him yesterday morning in Frankfurt.

The scion of a noble German family was among 25 men and women arrested in raids across Germany over an alleged plot to storm the Bundestag and overthrow the government. About 130 premises were searched and 3,000 officers deployed in the country's largest police operation conducted against suspected extremists.

The raid has focused attention on the shadowy world of the Reichsbürger, or Reich Citizens — Germans who refuse to recognise the postwar German government. Reuss has become a prominent figure in the far-right scene. The plotters had been planning to install him as Germany's new head of state.

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Boris Rossner/Avon

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► **US boosts Pacific presence**
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Datavatch



Xi's zero-Covid controls loosened as evidence mounts of damage to trade

► Cabinet shifts focus to economy ► Home quarantine approved ► Big fall in exports and imports

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China has announced wide-ranging relaxations to President Xi Jinping's contentious zero-Covid restrictions — including allowing home quarantine — as further evidence emerged of the economic damage from pandemic controls.

The new measures, outlined yesterday by the State Council, China's cabinet, were foreshadowed by a meeting of the Chinese Communist party's politburo that emphasised the importance of stabilising the economy rather than the battle against Covid-19.

They include the first explicit endorsement from the central government of isolating asymptomatic or mild coronavirus cases at home rather than at hospitals or quarantine facilities.

Some local governments had recently experimented with similar measures in recent days.

The State Council also said people should not have to show proof of a negative test before entering public places — a relaxation recently implemented by cities including Beijing and Shanghai despite concerns that the spread of Covid could overwhelm the medical system, especially in poorer rural areas.

In its earlier meeting, the 24-member

politburo, chaired by Xi, said the government would "optimise epidemic prevention and control" as it tried to stabilise an economy that expanded 3 per cent year on year during the first nine months of 2022, well below Beijing's year-end target of 5.5 per cent.

Xi had previously said that Covid was a "devil virus" that only an "all-out people's war" could vanquish.

Chen Long at Penum, a Beijing-based advisory company, said the demise of zero-Covid was evident from the changing tenor of comments from officials about the threat posed by the virus over recent weeks. He added that ending all restrictions would not be a smooth process, "but we are moving there, firmly, and there is no way back".

Bert Hoffman, director of the National

University of Singapore's East Asian Institute, said the new guidelines constituted "a major step", adding: "They define a major relaxation of zero-Covid and provide centralised guidance for local governments to follow".

China's November trade data, also released yesterday, provided the latest example of the pressure building on its economy, with exports and imports both contracting by their biggest margin in several years in the wake of weakening global demand for its goods.

The country's exports in dollar terms fell 8.7 per cent on year to \$296bn, the biggest drop since the start of the pandemic in January 2020 and far below expectations of a 3.5 per cent fall. Imports declined 10.6 per cent to \$226bn, the most in two and a half years.

In October, exports and imports fell just 0.5 and 0.7 per cent, respectively.

The declines highlight the vulnerability of Chinese trade to dampening overseas demand as other big economies raise interest rates, while Covid restrictions weigh on a fragile domestic economy.

The trade data were recorded during a surge in harsh measures in November as authorities grappled with multiple protests in Guangzhou, Beijing and at a Foxconn factory in Zhengzhou before ultimately shifting towards relaxation.

"As global demand weakens in 2023, China will have to rely more on domestic demand," said Zhiwei Zhang, at PwC Asset Management. He expects exports to remain weak as the country "goes through a bumpy reopening".

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Arguably, the most striking feature of the market impact of the Chinese reopening could be the speed with which it hits

Leo Lewis
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Europe's tech cash dries up as dealmakers get jittery

Venture capitalists' wariness over high inflation, rising interest rates and the war in Ukraine have resulted in a funding crunch for the European tech scene. Dealmaking hit a wall in the autumn. That followed 2021's frenzy and the years leading up to it in which the continent looked to be bridging a decades-long funding gap with Silicon Valley. Investors say confidence, not capital, is the problem, with about \$80bn worth of 'dry powder' available.

Funding squeeze ► PAGE 8

Norwegian oil fund to take aggressive stance on net zero and executive pay

RICHARD MILNE — LONDON

The world's largest sovereign wealth fund will become a more vocal shareholder and plans to vote against companies that fail to set a net zero target, overpay their top leaders, or do not have sufficiently diverse boards.

Nicolas Tangen, the Norwegian oil fund chief, told the Financial Times' Global Boardroom event yesterday that the \$1.3tn fund would become more aggressive on environmental, social and governance issues and aim to be a more contrarian and long-term investor.

"Yes, we can be [more vocal] and I think we will be... we can vote more against the companies where we have different expectations about how they behave," Tangen said in London, a day before the fund was set to unveil its new midterm strategy.

Tangen's words serve as a warning to businesses worldwide because the oil fund owns, on average, 1.5 per cent of every listed company.

The fund, financed by the country's oil and gas revenues and has increased its stake in size since the 2008 financial crisis, has become more active in recent years by releasing its voting intentions five days ahead of annual meetings.

Tangen, a former hedge fund manager, warned those directors and boards of companies without a target to reach net zero emissions that the fund would "absolutely" vote against them. "Only 10 per cent of companies have a clear [net] zero target already in place," he said, although he pointed out that that accounted for about a third of emissions from the 9,000 companies in which the fund owns shares.

On executive pay, he warned that in

the US the average top chief executive was paid close to \$15m at a time of a cost of living crisis. "Executive pay and corporate greed has just reached a level that is really unhealthy," Tangen said.

He added that US investors were unwilling to hold companies to account, in large part because their own top bosses were paid so much. "That is why they are not so vocal. If you are in charge of an asset management organisation and you make an absolute killing yourself you are not going to criticise the other CEOs."

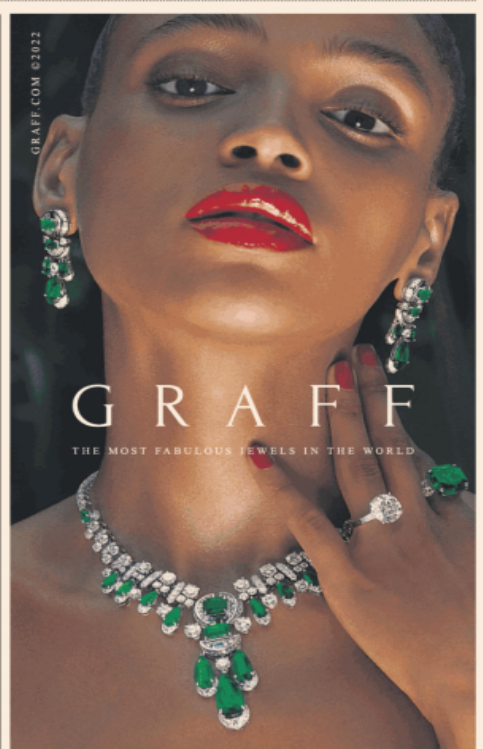
The fund believes pay should be more long term and allied with shareholder interests rather than use incentive plans whose targets are often watered down.

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	Dec 7	Prev	%Chg		Pair	Dec 7	Prev	%Chg		Yield (%)	Dec 7	Prev	%Chg	
S&P 500	3605.97	3541.26	+1.13		\$/£	1.050	1.050	0.00	US 2 yr	4.27	4.39	-0.11		
Nasdaq Composite	10985.76	11014.80	-0.45		\$/€	1.220	1.222	-0.16	US 10 yr	3.46	3.56	-0.10		
Dow Jones Ind	33603.75	33946.34	-0.02		\$/¥	0.007	0.006	+0.15	US 30 yr	3.46	3.56	-0.10		
FTSE 100	1723.75	1734.05	-0.64		\$/HK\$	156.355	156.055	+0.19	UK 2 yr	3.28	3.31	-0.03		
Euro Stoxx 50	3606.09	3609.19	-0.30		\$/N¥	166.355	167.033	-0.40	UK 10 yr	3.04	3.08	-0.03		
FTSE 100	7486.15	7521.35	-0.43		\$/S¥	0.986	0.987	-0.10	UK 30 yr	3.45	3.45	0.00		
FTSE AEX Share	4053.95	4114.48	-1.51		\$/C¥	0.000	0.000	0.00	JPN 2 yr	-0.01	-0.02	0.01		
CAC 40	6660.59	6667.79	-0.41		\$/IN¥	16.000	16.000	0.00	JPN 10 yr	0.25	0.25	0.00		
Xetra Dax	14281.19	14343.19	-0.57		\$/B¥	16.000	16.000	0.00	JPN 30 yr	1.47	1.48	-0.01		
Nikkei	27686.40	27885.87	-0.72		\$/R¥	1229.09	1229.09	-0.00	GER 2 yr	2.00	2.05	-0.05		
Hang Seng	18614.82	19441.15	-3.22		\$/K¥	17.000	17.000	0.00	GER 10 yr	1.79	1.80	-0.02		
MSCI World \$	2452.07	2456.30	-1.12		\$/L¥	17.000	17.000	0.00	GER 30 yr	1.84	1.82	0.02		
MSCI EM \$	572.83	584.26	-1.15											
MSCI ACWI \$	618.82	628.69	-1.26											
FT Vietnam 2500	5111.97	5187.76	-1.48											
FT Vietnam 1000	35619.96	40569.57	-1.46											

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Warnock's Rise Fueled by Pain, Faith and Flair

Georgia Senator Looks
to Build on Victory

By KATIE GLUECK

He likened voting to a "prayer for the world we desire," and called democracy the political enactment of a spiritual idea that everyone has a divine spark.

He invoked the legacies of civil rights heroes and "martyrs" who fought and sometimes died for the right to vote, even as he promised to pursue bipartisanship in pressing his policy ambitions.

Exulting in his victory Tuesday night, Senator Raphael Warnock showcased the dualities that have defined his career in public life. He is a man of deep faith, the senior pastor at the Atlanta church where the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. preached. And he is also a political tactician who has long believed that "the church's work doesn't end at the church door. That's where it starts."

"I am Georgia," Mr. Warnock said after winning Tuesday's runoff election, nodding to both the hopeful and the dark aspects of the state's past. "I am an example and an iteration of its history. Of its pain and its promise. Of the brutality and the possibility."

He is also now poised, some Democrats say, to be a more prominent national figure, as an ardent supporter of voting rights, a next-generation voice in the party — or, as Senator Cory Booker of New Jersey put it, a leader who can speak to "a lot of the heart in our country."

"I don't think America has fully discovered the leadership potential of Raphael Warnock, because he got elected and then was immediately in another election season," said Mr. Booker, who has worked with Mr. Warnock on legislative issues including health equity matters, and who has campaigned for him. "He has the ability to do both the poetry and the prose of politics in a way that I think is rare."

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G.O.P. REACTION After the loss in Georgia, anti-Trump Republicans are growing louder. PAGE A18

A Slugger Delivers, Forcing the Yankees to Do the Same for Him

Brian Cashman said this many years ago, and it never changes: Desperation drives free agency. A team wants — needs — a player so badly that it will spend

whatever it takes to get him, and the salaries climb higher and higher.

Aaron Judge's new \$360 million contract agreement with the Yankees, contingent on a physical examination, will pay him an average of \$40 million per season for the next nine years. It's the richest deal in Yankees history and the highest salary ever for a position player.

Ticket prices are based on what the market will bear, not what owners need to cover their payroll. Unless you worry about how Hal Steinbrenner disburses his fortune, you should rejoice if you love the Yankees.

Cashman, the Yankees' general manager, revealed last opening day that Judge had rejected the team's contract offer of \$30.5 million per year for seven years. Judge then swatted 62 home runs, more than Babe Ruth in 1927, more than Roger Maris in 1961, more than every other



CHRISTIAN MANG/REUTERS

The German authorities conducted a series of raids on Wednesday seeking members of a suspected plot to overthrow the government.

China Loosens Covid Restrictions After Protests

This article is by Keith Bradsher, Chang Che and Amy Chang Chien.

Over the past three years, China's top leader, Xi Jinping, staked his legitimacy on "zero Covid," making it an ideological campaign aimed at demonstrating the superiority of centralized control over democratic rule. He declared a "people's war" against the coronavirus that used lockdowns and quarantines to eliminate infections.

In a remarkable pivot, the Chinese government announced a broad rollback of those rules on Wednesday, an implicit concession to public discontent after mass street protests in late November posed the most widespread challenge to the ruling Communist Party in decades.

The party appears to be attempting a tactical, face-saving retreat that would allow Mr. Xi to change tack without acknowledging

A Tacit Concession on Rules That Caused Economic Agony

ing that widespread opposition and economic pain forced his hand. China's state media depicted Wednesday's move as a planned transition after Mr. Xi's zero-tolerance approach secured a victory over a virus that has now weakened.

The move could very well assuage protesters. But the party is expected to confront a surge of infections as lockdowns lift, schools reopen and people try to resume normal life. The government must now place much greater urgency on vaccinations, which had been neglected in recent months, experts say.

The new policy takes aim at

some of the most onerous and widely feared pandemic measures that reflect how intrusive the policy had become. Beijing largely did away on Wednesday with rules requiring mass testing, limited the scope of lockdowns and scrapped mandatory hospitalization and mass quarantines. It also ordered pharmacies not to ban or control the sale of cold and flu medication — a policy enforced in some places to prevent residents from using over-the-counter drugs to reduce fevers and avoid detection.

The changes, while not a complete dismantling of "zero Covid," loosen measures that have dragged down the economy by disrupting daily life for hundreds of millions of people, forcing many small businesses to close and driving youth unemployment to a record high. The changes also try to alleviate public anger against

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Justices Seem Split on Control Over Elections

By ADAM LIPTAK

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court seemed splintered on Wednesday about whether to adopt a legal theory that would radically reshape how federal elections are conducted, giving state legislatures largely unchecked power to set all sorts of election rules and draw congressional maps warped by partisan gerrymandering.

The justices' questioning over three hours of arguments suggested that they were roughly divided into three camps. The three most conservative justices appeared prepared to embrace an expansive version of the theory, while the three liberal justices were adamant that it should be rejected.

The remaining members of the court — Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr. and Justices Brett M. Kavanaugh and Amy Coney Barrett — seemed to be searching for a compromise under which state supreme courts would generally have the last word on disputes over state laws governing federal elections but be subject to oversight from federal courts in rare cases.

The case concerned the "independent state legislature" theory. Continued on Page A16

In DNA Two Million Years Old, A Glimpse of a Forested Arctic

By CARL ZIMMER

In the permafrost at the northern edge of Greenland, scientists have discovered the oldest known fragments of DNA, offering an extraordinary look at an extraordinary ancient ecosystem.

The genetic material dates back at least two million years — that's nearly twice as old as the mammoth DNA in Siberia that held the previous record. And the samples, described on Wednesday in the journal *Nature*, came from more than 135 different species.

Together, they show that a region just 600 miles from the North

Pole was once covered by a forest of poplar and birch trees inhabited by mastodons. The forests were also home to caribou and Arctic hares. And the warm coastal waters were filled with horseshoe crabs, a species that today cannot be found any farther north than Maine.

Independent experts hailed the study as a major advance.

"It feels almost magical to be able to infer such a complete picture of an ancient ecosystem from tiny fragments of preserved

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Peru's President Is Ousted
Pedro Castillo had tried to dissolve Congress to avoid being impeached on corruption charges. His vice president, Dina Boluarte, succeeded him. PAGE A12

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Tumult at UC amid strike, finals

Massive walkout has led to canceled exams, delayed grades and angst among students.

By DEBBIE TRUONG, HANNAH FRY AND ALEJANDRA REYES-VELARDE

When 48,000 University of California academic workers went on strike in mid-November, Stacy Fahrenthold joined them on the picket line. The associate professor of history at UC Davis canceled lectures and will not read final papers or record grades until the walkout is settled.

"We don't have the grading labor to do it," said Fahrenthold, who would normally rely on a graduate student worker to score assignments.

Such disruption has unfolded throughout the UC system's 10 campuses. As the massive strike by teaching assistants, tutors, graduate student researchers and postdoctoral scholars drags into its fourth week, the walkout has reached a pivotal moment, exacting its harshest toll yet on students, faculty and picketers during the all-important finals week in California's premier higher education system.

The striking workers' absence from classrooms and offices this week has limited the scope of final assessments, providing the greatest show yet of the crucial contributions they make to UC's reputation for excellence. These are the workers who conduct study sessions, offer crunch-time tutoring, read term papers, and proctor and grade exams.

A tally from the Council of UC Faculty Assns. estimates the strike, A11



PROTESTERS in Beijing hold up blank sheets of paper symbolizing censorship in China during one of the demonstrations that broke out in multiple cities late last month after a deadly fire in Urumqi.

'THIS IS THE PROTEST OF OUR GENERATION'

In China, edgy first-time demonstrators try to find a voice

By STEPHANIE YANG AND DAVID SHEN

TAIPEI, Taiwan — It was the middle of the night in Shanghai when Jack's phone rang, with a message from a friend: Something big is happening.

That message was already spreading across social media, momentarily overwhelming Chinese censors. As the evening of Nov. 26 progressed, hundreds gathered downtown for a vigil on Urumqi Road. They began to chant, calling for an end to COVID-related lockdowns and endless PCR tests. Some shouted for free speech and press freedom. Others went so far as to demand that President Xi Jinping and the Communist Party as a whole step down.

The very thought of joining the crowd made Jack nervous. But the 23-year-old, who declined to give his Chinese name for fear of retribution, [See China, A4]



A WORKER at a testing site in Beijing. "Zero-COVID" policies have led to unprecedented government oversight of people's lives in China.

Justices hint at shifting election powers

A ruling for GOP in N. Carolina map case could let legislatures set states' voting laws.

By DAVID G. SAVAGE

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court's conservatives hinted Wednesday they may rule — but only narrowly — for Republican state lawmakers in North Carolina who are claiming an exclusive power to set election maps without review by state courts.

The justices heard arguments in the gerrymandering case, which could dramatically reshape how congressional and presidential elections operate at the state level, potentially giving virtually unfettered power to partisan politicians.

But the case may yield a more modest ruling that holds state legislatures may set rules for elections, including drawing maps of voting districts, but with at least some oversight by state courts.

The North Carolina clash between partisan lawmakers and state judges has drawn extraordinary attention because so much of election law has come under attack recently. Just two years ago, then-President Trump and some of his allies sought to overturn his defeat by having Republican state legislators declare him the winner.

In their appeal to the conservative-dominated high court, GOP lawmakers are citing the so-called independent state legislature theory. The doctrine holds that the U.S. Constitution gives state legislatures — not governors or state judges — the full and exclusive authority to draw maps [See Court, A8]



DAVID WHARTON, left, competes in the senior foil event at the Southern California Division's centennial tournament at Pasadena City College.

COLUMN ONE

My weapon against aging

Taking up fencing at 55 was an unexpected journey that taught me about myself and finding my 'why'

By David Wharton

There is something about the sport of fencing that no one tells you. Not at first. Sometimes it hurts. Though the blades have no sharp points or edges, though you wear a uniform of heavy cloth, a direct shot to the chest or occasional whack on the forearm can deliver wincing pain.

Not that it matters in the heat of a bout, with adrenaline pumping, but the thought crosses your mind: Oh, that's going to

leave a mark. Sure enough, you later discover a few coin-sized bruises.

That is why new fencers, taking so many hits, are known as "pin cushions." I learned the hard way by jumping into this sport at the ill-advised age of 55, suckered by a chance meeting at the London Olympics, a conversation that lured me into an arcane but devoted culture.

This unexpected journey continued back home, where, it turns out, Southern California has a connection to fencing beyond Erol Flynn and those old Hollywood swashbucklers. [See Fencing, A14]

Bill would make it lawyers' duty to report misconduct

Girardi scandal sparks effort by lawmaker to propose mandate to inform State Bar.

By MATT HAMILTON AND HARRIET RYAN

An influential Sacramento lawmaker has proposed legislation that would require California's 266,000 lawyers to report misconduct by colleagues to the State Bar, the agency that regulates the legal profession.

The bill introduced this week by state Sen. Tom Umberg (D-Orange) comes after a Times story that noted California is the only state that does not require or encourage lawyers to turn in their peers for wrongdoing and that highlighted how that outlier status may have figured into the corruption by Los Angeles legal legend Tom Girardi.

Umberg, a practicing attorney who chairs the Senate Judiciary Committee, said in an interview that the Girardi scandal had ex-

posed numerous shortcomings in the legal system.

"One flaw is that unlike the other 49 states, California imposes no duty on a lawyer to expose egregious misconduct or even in this case, potential theft of funds that rightfully belonged to victims. And so that needs to be addressed," Umberg said.

The proposed legislation requires a lawyer licensed in California "who knows that another licensee has engaged in professional misconduct" to notify the State Bar if the violation "raises a

[See Bill, A8]

Virginia missed red flag on cop

State police cite human error in hiring the man who later "catfished" a girl, 15, and killed three Californians. NATION, A5

Ex-athletes won't face rape charges

Civil suit will proceed against former San Diego State football players accused of sex assault. CALIFORNIA, B1

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Police aid an injured man amid clashes in Lima near the detention site of ex-leader Pedro Castillo, who tried to dissolve Congress. WORLD, A3

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Lawyers for Trump turn over more items

Found in storage unit, material marked as classified was sent to FBI

This article is by Jacqueline Alemanni, Josh Dawsey, Spencer S. Hsu, Declan Barrett and Rosalind S. Helderman

Lawyers for Donald Trump found at least two items marked classified after an outside team hired by Trump searched a storage unit in West Palm Beach, Fla., used by the former president, according to people familiar with the matter.

Those items were immediately turned over to the FBI, according to those people, who like others spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss sensitive matters.

The search was one of at least three searches for classified materials conducted by an outside team at Trump properties in recent weeks, after Trump's legal team was pressed by a federal judge to attest that it had fully complied with a May grand jury subpoena to turn over all materials bearing classified markings, according to people familiar with the matter.

There has been a lengthy and fierce battle between Trump's attorneys and the Justice Department in a Washington federal court in recent weeks, according to people familiar with the matter. Much of the legal wrangling remains under seal by a federal

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Law suit: Court examines line between speech, incitement. A6

Loudoun schools chief is fired after investigation

BY HANNAH NATANSON

The Loudoun County Public Schools board fired Superintendent Scott Ziegler shortly after the release of a state grand jury report that blasted school leaders for their handling of two sexual assaults by the same student last year — and that called Ziegler a liar.

The board fired Ziegler via unanimous vote shortly after a 2½-hour closed-session meeting Tuesday night, according to school video posted online. Loudoun schools spokesman Wayne Byard confirmed the firing in an interview Wednesday morning but declined to characterize the board's rationale, including whether the termination was a direct response to the grand jury report.

News of Ziegler's firing was first reported by ABC7 News. The former superintendent could not be reached for comment Wednesday; his Loudoun email addresses are

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PHOTOS BY SERHIY MORLUNOV FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

Constant shelling, no coffee

Ukrainian troops face newly mobilized Russian fighters — and front-line privations — as they advance into Luhansk

BY ISABELLE KHURSHUDYAN
IN KREMINNA, UKRAINE

Deep in the forest and less than a mile from enemy Russian positions, the sound of incoming artillery landing nearby thunders every few minutes. The landscape is littered with unexploded ordnance, so the Ukrainian soldiers don't dare step anywhere they have not before. They pack light because they might be on the move quickly — forward, they hope.

In their cramped, hastily dug mud outpost, they apologize that they only have tea — no room for coffee.

A commander manning one of Ukraine's forward-most positions did

not flinch at the roar of shells crashing close by as he zoomed in on his tablet to show how Kyiv's forces in the area have advanced within five miles of Kremenna — an occupied stronghold for the Russian military and potential gateway for the Ukrainian forces as they press into the eastern Luhansk region.

"We've pushed them back, and now we just need to take their logistical routes," said the deputy battalion commander in the Ukrainian National Guard's 5th Slobozhanska Brigade, whom The Washington Post agreed to

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Prisoners of war: Newly freed captives describe abuse by Russian forces. A13



TOP: Crew members start the engine of a tank on the front lines in eastern Ukraine on Sunday. ABOVE: A Ukrainian soldier has a smoke near a vehicle that is waiting for wounded soldiers. Even the route for evacuating the injured is dangerous.

Disabled and left waiting for assistance

Crushing backlogs in Social Security state offices leave more than a million in limbo

BY LISA REIN

The Disability Determination Division in Austin was at a breaking point.

Inside its vast two-story warehouse, close to 130,000 claims were awaiting review by the state employees who help decide whether Texans will get disability benefits from the Social Security Administration — a backlog that would take at least a year to clear. Nearly 40 percent of the examiners had quit since January, driven out by crushing workloads and low wages that could not compete in the high-tech boomtown. Those who stayed toiled in long rows of cubicles or at home reviewing massive medical files.

Then, one week in September, came the unthinkable: 75,000 new claims suddenly were routed to an electronic queue already buckling under 2½ years of strain during the coronavirus pandemic.

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ESSICA TEAM FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

Dale and Sandra-Kay Pearson rest last month outside a hospital in Knoxville, Tenn. They are living in their car as they await a second ruling on her benefits request, filed 15 months ago.

Calls for new path for GOP after loss

SOME BLAME TRUMP FOR PICKING WALKER

Senate defeat in Georgia fuels autopsy by party

BY COLBY ITKOWITZ,
HANNAH KNOWLES
AND DYLAN WELLS

Herschel Walker's loss in a pivotal Georgia Senate race Tuesday has renewed Republican calls to break with former president Donald Trump and rethink the party's strategy ahead of 2024, as lawmakers and operatives reckoned with the final blow in a profoundly disappointing midterm cycle.

The recriminations were swift as Republicans began the autopsy of Walker's race on Wednesday, sparring over who and what cost them the seat. Many blamed Trump for urging Walker, a former football star with no political experience and a slew of allegations about his personal life, to run for the Senate against Democratic Sen. Raphael G. Warnock, betting on his celebrity in a high-stakes midterm election in which Republicans needed to net just one seat to take the majority.

Republican operatives raised concerns about spending deficits, on-the-ground strategy and the

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'Sign of relief': Senate Democrats tout their newfound power. A7

Monica Hesse: A slow-moving, inevitable Walker train wreck. C1

Justices question shift in election authority

BY ROBERT BARNES
AND ANN E. MARIMOW

A majority of Supreme Court justices on Wednesday seemed reluctant to conclude that state legislatures may manipulate congressional district lines and set federal voting rules without any oversight from state courts, after nearly three hours of debate over what would be a fundamental change in the way elections are conducted.

But some justices also indicated they believed state courts could be restrained from becoming too big a player in election decisions — at some point when "the state court would not be acting as a court but would be acting more as a legislature," in the words of Justice Amy Coney Barrett.

Under the theory advanced by North Carolina's Republican legislative leaders, state lawmakers throughout the country could

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IN THE NEWS



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German conspiracy Police arrested 25 people, including an aristocrat, over a far-right plot to overthrow the government. A14

Peru impeachment President Pedro Castillo was ousted after trying to dissolve congress, which had been set to debate his removal. A14

THE NATION Multiple missteps during the prison transfer of notorious mobster Whitey Bulger led to his death, a Justice Department probe found. A2

The former president Ramesh "Sunny" Bahwani, was sentenced to almost 13 years in prison. A2

Oakland teens in 2020 won the right to vote in school board races, but they were disenfranchised anyway because the changes were not implemented. A3

Democrats ramped up a probe of Trump adviser Jared Kushner's diplomatic actions at the time of a family business deal. A4

Congress is poised to strip away the requirement that all military personnel be vaccinated against the coronavirus. A20

THE WORLD A sacred mountain in Venezuela is being destroyed by unauthorized gold miners, with satellite images showing the extent of the ruin. A10

Turkey is holding up Finland's and Sweden's NATO entry, highlighting strains within the

alliance. A11

In the wake of country-wide protests, China eased its rules on coronavirus testing and health passes. A14

THE ECONOMY Apple will allow iCloud backups to be fully encrypted worldwide after attempts to breach cloud providers and the threat of hackers, the company announced. A15

THE REGION A Virginia county has delayed a vote to deed a small plot of public land to a private group to protect a Confederate statue. B1

An FBI agent who was off duty shot and killed a man during an altercation on a platform at the Metro Center train station, police said, prompting delays and brief panic. B1

Members of Congress and other Virginia dignitaries paid their respects to Rep. A. Donald McEachin at his funeral in Richmond. B1

Catholic University has named a dining room after "Ms. Willie," a beloved cafeteria worker for nearly 50 years. B1

Maryland students are reaching pre-pandemic levels in English language arts but falling behind in math, state test results show. B5

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LOCAL LIVING Poinsettia tips Here are some pointers from experts on caring for the tropical plant throughout the holiday season and beyond.

STYLE A pounding at their door They brought their sick baby to a hospital. Three days later, the state took their children away. C1

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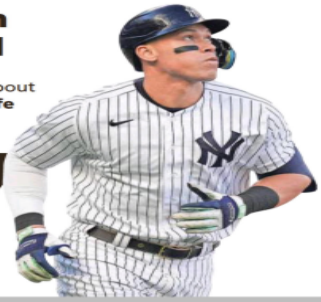
People love to gossip, especially when it's about an unfolding drama, psychologist says. **In Life**

Judge picks Yankees, securing his legacy in NY

He could have signed with Giants or Padres but chose to stay in the Bronx – with a nine-year, \$360 million deal – after one final push. **In Sports**

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Weird weather hits crops and cattle

Damage hurts farmers, ranchers and consumers

Elizabeth Weise
USA TODAY

This has been a year of extreme weather, including ruinous floods, horrific hurricanes, unrelenting heat, drought and massive rainfall events. Farmers, always at the mercy of the weather, have taken a hit.

In 2022, so far there have been more than a dozen climate disaster events with losses exceeding \$1 billion, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

While harvests in the United States overall have been good, some crops were devastated.

In Texas, the cotton harvest was hit hard by drought. Hurricane Ian blew oranges off the trees in Florida. Rice farmers in California have left fields empty for lack of water, and cattle ranchers are sending more cows to slaughter because drought-stunted pastures can't support normal calving activity.



This year's drought severely reduced the cotton harvest in Texas. Lack of water is damaging other crops in the area as well. **DELICIA LOPEZ/AP**

Climate change can't be directly blamed for every bad harvest or extreme weather event this year, but the effects of climate change – including drought and rainier hurricanes – hurt harvests across the nation in 2022. Climate models make clear that more is coming.

It's a pattern scientists have been warning about for decades – that higher global temperatures will bring on "weather weirding."

Every year the farmers who feed our nation get smarter and more resilient, but it's increasingly stressful to adapt to the extreme variability they face, said Erica Kistner-Thomas, with the Department of Agriculture's Institute of Food Production and Sustainability. "One year they'll have the best year ever and then the next year they'll be hit with a major flooding event or drought," she said.

Here are some crops for which 2022 was a hard year:

Rice in California

The "megadrought" in the West, the worst in 1,200 years, has had an enormous impact on farming in California.

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MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Dems' Senate majority grows with Warnock win



Sen. Raphael Warnock, D-Ga., speaks during an election night watch party in Atlanta on Tuesday. He defeated Republican challenger Herschel Walker in a runoff election, expanding Democrats' majority to 51 seats in the Senate. **JOHN BAZEMORE/AP**

ANALYSIS

Trump support of Walker part of why GOP lost Ga.

David Jackson and Mabinty Quarshie USA TODAY

WASHINGTON – Political people can draw lessons both old and new from Raphael Warnock's win over Herschel Walker in the Georgia Senate runoff.

The old lesson: Good candidates generally beat bad candidates.

The new one: Donald Trump-backed candidates tend to have trouble in battleground states.

"Trump is the big loser," pollster Frank Luntz said in the wake of the Republicans' latest loss in a major political race. "One by one, his handpicked candidates for Senate flopped. I can't remember a time when the environment for Republicans was so good and yet the results were so bad."

Nationally, Walker is the latest Trump-sponsored Republican candidate to lose a big statewide race, despite a favorable political environment for the GOP – a warning sign for the party, especially

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TAKEAWAYS

Three million voters, two polar opposites, one divided country

Phillip M. Bailey USA TODAY

One of the most expensive and bitter Senate contests ended with Democratic Sen. Raphael Warnock prevailing over Republican challenger Herschel Walker on Tuesday.

The Georgia race, which cost \$380 million in total, did not change which party controlled the Senate in the upcoming Congress, but it did underscore how deeply and evenly the country is divided going into 2023.

For months the race was a tale of major contrasts as Warnock, a Baptist preacher, and Walker, a former NFL star, were opposites in experience, political beliefs and speaking styles.

Here are the major takeaways from Tuesday's contest:

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Herschel Walker ran for Senate at former President Donald Trump's behest.

'Sweetest gift': A lost loved one's voice

"You don't realize how much you're going to miss someone's voice until you can't hear it anymore."

Savannah Kelly
Owner of Holiday Voices

Savannah Kelly was inspired by her own grandparents' gift. PROVIDED BY SAVANNAH KELLY



Holiday ornaments capture final, heartfelt messages to families

Ashley R. Williams USA TODAY

A decade ago, a Georgia woman's late grandparents left her and her brother a priceless gift: their voices wishing them a Merry Christmas for years to come.

It would later inspire Savannah Kelly, owner of Savannah-based recordable ornaments company Holiday Voices, to help other families ensure their loved ones would live on each holiday season.

"You don't realize how much you're going to miss someone's voice until you can't hear it anymore," said Kelly, who donated a carton of the red, green and gold ornaments to patients of Hospice Savannah on Giving Tuesday.

In 1993, Kelly's grandparents recorded messages on

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La serie de Harry y Meghan sacude a la corona británica

La prensa inglesa se mostró despiadada con los avances del documental de los duques de Sussex, que rompen la tregua en su "guerra declarada" a los Windsor. **Página 7**



POROTO CAMBIASO, EL 10 DE HANDICAP MÁS JOVEN DE LA HISTORIA

—deportes

Con 17 años, el hijo de Adolfo Cambiaso logró la máxima valorización y hasta superó a su padre, que lo consiguió a los 19; La Dolfina tendrá 40 goles. **Página 7**

UN NUEVO MUSEO EN LA CIUDAD, TRAS 60 AÑOS "EMBALADO"

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Es el de Arte Oriental: sus miles de piezas estuvieron guardadas durante seis décadas; ahora ocupa 1000 m² en el Centro Cultural Borges y abrió al público. **Página 24**

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Tras un autogolpe fallido en Perú, detuvieron a Castillo y asumió la vicepresidenta

TENSIÓN. Poco antes del inicio de un juicio político, había anunciado el cierre del Congreso



Castillo, de campera azul, detenido en una sede de la Prefectura de Lima tras su destitución

LIMA (DPA).—Acorralado por un inminente juicio político, Pedro Castillo intentó ayer un autogolpe cuando anunció el cierre del Congreso y una batería de reformas de la Justicia, iniciativa que fue rechazada por las Fuerzas Armadas, la oposición y el Parlamento, que poco después destituyó al mandatario y designó

en el cargo a la vicepresidenta Dina Boluarte. En una decisión que varios actores consideraron un intento de golpe de Estado y que fue incluso criticada por algunos de sus propios funcionarios, Castillo dijo en un mensaje televisado que se convocaría a la "mayor brevedad" a elecciones para un nuevo Congreso con facultades

constituyentes, que debería elaborar una nueva Carta Magna en un plazo de nueve meses. Castillo se enfrentaba a un tercer intento de destitución en 18 meses de gestión impulsado por un desprestigiado Parlamento que iba a debatir su posible remoción por "permanente incapacidad moral". **Página 2**

Un intento de escape sin argumentos políticos ni legales
Ramiro Pellet Lastra
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Biden condenó el autogolpe y saludó la reacción del Congreso
Rafael Mathus Ruiz
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Vialidad: la Corte activó una causa civil contra Cristina

CORRUPCIÓN. Es por \$22.300 millones, por el perjuicio al Estado

El mismo día en que Cristina Kirchner fue condenada a seis años de prisión en la causa Vialidad, la Corte Suprema activó otra demanda de carácter civil, conexa con aquella, por \$22.300 millones. Es por el perjuicio causado al Estado a través de la corrupción en el reparto de la obra pública en Santa Cruz. El tribunal designó al juez Alejandro Nobili, y con esa decisión el trámite vuelve a moverse. **Página 10**

Un fallo conocido por cuatro personas hasta el veredicto
Hernán Cappiello. **Página 10**

Se acentúa el declive de la actividad económica

INDICADORES. Dos datos confirmaron ayer que la actividad económica entró en declive. En octubre, la producción industrial bajó 1,1% y la construcción cayó 3,5%, según informó el Indec. Ambos rubros, coinciden distintos especialistas consultados, se vieron afectados por la inflación y la falta de insumos derivada de la falta de importaciones. **Página 18**

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Alarma por De Paul: sintió una molestia y está en duda para el choque con Países Bajos

Scaloni probó un medio campo con Mac Allister, Paredes y Enzo Fernández

DOHA (De nuestros enviados especiales).— Todo estaba bien en el entrenamiento argentino hasta que Rodrigo de Paul, un jugador clave para Lionel Scaloni, sintió una molestia en la pierna derecha. El volante será evaluado hoy para ver si puede estar mañana en el choque con Países Bajos (a las 16), por los cuartos de final del Mundial. El entrenador ensayó variantes, con un medio campo conformado por Mac Allister, Paredes y Enzo Fernández. Di María, en tanto, se entrenó con normalidad. **Deportes Mundial**

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CRISIS. Los problemas de importación obligan a postergar operaciones; inquietud en los pacientes

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A instabilidade política no Peru



PGR também pressiona STF por emendas de relator

Na abertura do julgamento do Supremo Tribunal Federal sobre a constitucionalidade das emendas de relator, a Procuradoria Geral da República se uniu ao Congresso e ao Planalto na defesa do instrumento e reclamou do espaço dado na corte a entidades críticas do mecanismo, acusando de pouco transparente. A presidente Rosa Weber dará primeiro voto na próxima quarta (14). **Política A4**

PL, de Bolsonaro, vai à Justiça pedir cassação de Moro

Política A8

Cortes deixam 200 mil bolsistas de pós sem recursos

O pagamento de mais de 200 mil bolsas de pós-graduação da Capes está suspenso após congelamento de verba do MEC aprovado pela pasta da Economia. Universidades dizem falar dinheiro até para abastecer carros. **Cotidiano B1**

copa 2022 Para Vinicius Jr., Neymar é ídolo, e Modric, professor

Maior candidato a craque de uma seleção pós-Neymar, atacante de 21 anos divide com o ídolo a missão de levar o Brasil à semifinal. O passe de trivela ele diz ter aprendido com o croata Modric, colega no Real e rival amanhã. **p.1**

Luís Curro Todo mundo quer saber como parar Mbappé

Nei Lopes Não precisa ver no VAR

Nesta Copa, chama atenção a participação de grandes craques de origem africana em equipes europeias, como França, Holanda e Inglaterra. **Opinião A2**

Presidente do Peru é destituído e preso após golpe fracassado

Pedro Castillo tenta dissolver Congresso e antecipar eleições; país acumula renúncias e deposições

O presidente do Peru, Pedro Castillo, fracassou ontem em uma tentativa de golpe ao querer dissolver o Parlamento, antecipar eleições e decretar um estado de exceção. O populista de esquerda acabou destituído pelo Congresso e foi detido pela Polícia Nacional.

A tumultuada gestão de Castillo durou apenas 16 meses, marcada pela impopularidade e por atritos com o Legislativo, de maioria opositora. Sua saída é mais um episódio da instabilidade política do Peru, que nos últimos seis anos já teve seis presidentes.

Ao ordenar a dissolução do Congresso, Castillo tentou se antecipar à sessão em que parlamentares analisariam seu terceiro processo de destituição. Eles ignoraram os decretos do Executivo, aprovaram moção de vacância e convocaram a vice, Dina Boluarte, a tomar posse.

Segundo a imprensa local, o agora ex-líder tentava fugir do país com a família quando foi interceptado por agentes e levado para a Prefeitura de Lima. Houve especulações de que ele pediria asilo político ao México, mas o chanceler daquele país não quis comentar.

Após se voltar contra Castillo, acusando-o de golpe, Boluarte se torna a primeira mulher a governar o Peru. Ela falou em fazer um governo de união. **Mundo A11 e A12**

Análise Carol Pires Conciliadora, nova líder do país terá de conter crise **A11**



Pedro Castillo (de azul) conversa com agentes e autoridades do Judiciário na Prefeitura de Lima, para onde foi levado após ser detido. **Polícia Nacional do Peru**

PEC prevê uso de dinheiro esquecido no PIS/Pasep para investimentos públicos

Um dispositivo incluído na PEC (proposta de emenda à Constituição) da Transição permite que recursos parados em contas do PIS/Pasep se destinem a investimentos fora do teto de gastos.

Em agosto, a Caixa Econômica Federal informou que havia R\$ 24,6 bilhões em cotas do programa de benefício aos trabalhadores que poderiam ser sacados por 10,6 milhões de pessoas.

A proposta aprovada na terça (6) pela CCJ (Comissão de Constituição e Justiça) do Senado fixa em R\$ 168 bilhões o limite de despesas para inclusão do Bolsa Família por dois anos.

A sessão no plenário da Casa para votar o texto começou ontem à tarde, mas não havia terminado até a conclusão desta edição. Era preciso aval de 49 dos 81 senadores em 2 turnos. **Mercado A15**

China anuncia maior passo para abolir 'Covid zero'

Infectados leves já podem fazer quarentena em casa, não mais em centros do governo, e acaba a exigência de teste para viajar. Até aqui, é a mudança mais radical na dura política que afetou a economia e causou protestos. **Mundo A13**



CHUVAS MATAM EM OSASCO; ÁRVORE FURA PRÉDIO EM SP

Dois homens morreram soterrados e um arrastado pela água na região metropolitana; no Real Parque (zona sul da capital, foto), árvore caiu e abriu buraco em parede de prédio **B2**

BC deixa juro em 13,75%, mas é mais duro sobre riscos fiscais

O comitê decisório de juros do Banco Central manteve a taxa básica da economia inalterada em 13,75%, como previsto. Mas fez alerta mais duro sobre risco fiscal, segundo analistas, e repetiu que Selic pode voltar a subir. **Mercado A19**

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Will Smith estrela 'Emancipation', seu primeiro filme após tapa no Oscar

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Trilhas em Los Angeles levam ao centenário letreiro ícone de Hollywood

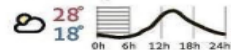
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Gove ignores climate warnings to approve first coalmine in 30 years

£165m Cumbria site will add 400,000 tonnes of emissions to UK total

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Britain will build its first new coalmine for three decades at Whitehaven in Cumbria, despite objections locally, across the UK and from around the world.

Michael Gove, the levelling-up secretary, gave the green light for the project last night, paving the way for an estimated investment of £165m that will create about 500 new jobs in the region and produce 2.8m tonnes of coking coal a year, largely for steelmaking.

The mine will also produce an estimated 400,000 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions a year, increasing Britain's emissions by the equivalent of putting 200,000 cars on the road.

The vast majority of the coal produced will be for export, as most

British steel producers have rejected the use of the coal, which is high in sulphur and surplus to their needs.

Where these exports will go remains uncertain, as most European steelmakers are turning away from the use of coal and adopting green methods such as electric arc furnaces and renewable energy.

The government said the mine was possible within UK climate legislation, which requires Britain to reach net zero emissions by 2050, as operations will shut down by 2049.

In their report sent to Gove, the

planning inspector said the mine would have "an overall neutral effect on climate change". This, they said, was because the likely amount of coal used in steelmaking would be "broadly the same with or without" it. A government spokesperson said the coal would be used to make steel that would otherwise be imported, and not be used to generate power.

However, ministers are braced for an almost certain legal challenge by those who say the decision risks breaching climate targets.

Critics said the announcement

was cynically timed to placate Tory MPs unhappy with the government for ending the moratorium on new onshore wind projects, which was confirmed 24 hours before.

Ed Miliband, shadow climate change secretary, said the mine was "no solution to the energy crisis", would not benefit British steel producers and marked "the death knell of any claims this government has to climate leadership".

Britain should instead create sustainable jobs in renewable energy, he said, adding a 14 →



Germany 'foils prince's plot to overthrow state'

Prince Heinrich XIII is led away in handcuffs in Frankfurt yesterday after police raids against an alleged far-right plot to overthrow the German state inspired by the US Capitol attacks. **News Page 22 →**

Ministers urged to negotiate on strikes

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Union leaders have told ministers to stop "hiding behind" pay review bodies in pay talks as Rishi Sunak threatened to stop key workers striking and rail unions said its actions could continue for six months.

Frances O'Grady, secretary general of the TUC, and the general secretary of the healthcare union Unison, Christina McAnea, accused the government of refusing to negotiate in good faith. They said: "Now is not the time for smoke and mirrors. Now is the time for genuine negotiations."

Sunak accused union bosses of being "unreasonable" and threatened "tough laws to protect people from this disruption". 9 →



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