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-in a/the tabloid

-a daily / popular tabloid



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The New York Times

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Digging graves on Monday in a cemetery in Irpin, a suburb of Kyiv, Ukraine. Russian's anticipated push into the Dnubov region began.

RAINING MISSILES, RUSSIA LAUNCHES EASTERN ASSAULT

Kyiv Reports Attacks on 300-Mile Front — In the West, Lviv Is Struck

This article is by *Steve Delaney*, from *Northrup* and *Maria Lomax*.

LVIV, Ukraine — Ukraine said Monday that Russian forces had launched a ground assault along a nearly 200-mile front in the east after hitting the country with one of the most intense missile barrages in weeks, including the first actual strike on Lviv, the western city that has been a refuge for tens of thousands of fleeing civilians.

The missile strikes, which killed at least seven people in Lviv alone, punctured any illusions that the picturesque city of cobblestoned streets and graceful squares near Poland's border was still a sanctuary from the horrors Russia has inflicted elsewhere in Ukraine over the past two months.

The Lviv attack followed 300 missile and artillery strikes that Russia claimed to have carried out, mainly in the east, in what appeared to be a campaign to force the Ukrainian military before the new ground offensive began in the part of the country known as the Donbas.

The secretary of Ukraine's National Security and Defense Council, Oleksii Danilov, said on national television that the Russian ground assault, which had been anticipated for weeks, stretched along nearly the entire front line, from the northern Cherkasy region south to the besieged port of Mariupol.

President Volodymyr Zelensky said that the Russian army is now concentrated for that offensive, adding, "We monitor how many servicemen get thrown there, we will fight, we will defend ourselves."

The overnight missile barrage targeted fuel depots, warehouses, and other infrastructure, according to Ukraine's Defense Ministry. Russian forces also appeared to be finally getting the eastern part of Mariupol, where outnumbered Ukrainian fighters defied demands to lay down their weapons at a steel plant that has become a kind of industrial Alamo.

Mariupol, once a vibrant city in southeast Ukraine, is the last obstacle to Russian drive to seize a "land bridge" to Crimea, the southern Ukrainian peninsula seized by Russian forces eight years ago.

The intensified attacks came amid signs that international sanctions were beginning to choke Russia's economy — and in the process, spurring fears among the country's leaders. President Vladimir V. Putin insisted that "the strategy of an economic Ukraine, has failed." But Moscow's mayor warned that 200,000 people could lose their jobs in the capital alone, while the head of the central bank warned that the effect of Russia's isolation was just starting to be felt.

While Ukraine's east remained

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At Holy Time, A War Spills The Faithful

By *ANTON TROIANOVSKI* and *PATRICIA COHEN*

Russia's central bank chief warned on Monday that the consequences of Western sanctions were only beginning to hit the bank and Moscow's mayor said that 200,000 jobs were at risk in the Russian capital alone, stark acknowledgments that undermined President Vladimir V. Putin's contention that sanctions had failed to destabilize the Russian economy.

The bank assessments from two senior officials align with the forecast of many experts that Russia faces a more economic downturn as its inventory of imported goods and parts runs low. How Russians react to the financial backdrop, resulting from Mr. Putin's invasion of Ukraine, will determine in part whether any thing can weaken the Russian leader's grip on power or any support for the war.

Russia's economy has avoided a crippling collapse for now, but more sanctions are on the way that would further increase the economic pain. The European Union is formulating a plan to curb imports of Russian oil. And Treasury Secretary Janet L. Yellen is expected to call on American as

Burden of Sanctions on Moscow Begins to Show

Assessments by Officials Contradict Putin's Rosy Outlook

Estimates from international financial organizations of the contraction in the Russian economy range from 10 to 15 percent. On Monday the Russian central bank said on its website that consumer prices on average were 16.7 percent higher than they were a year ago.

Wally Adeyemo, deputy secretary of the U.S. Treasury, predicted during an economic conference on Monday that Russian inflation would soar and imports would plummet, leaving the



A Race's Shining Star
Phoebe Joppech of Kenya clinched the women's competition at the Boston Marathon. Page B8.

As Homeless Age, Cities See Surge in Lonely Deaths on the Street

By *THOMAS FULLER*

SANTA MONICA, Calif. — Their bodies were found in public places, lying next to bike paths, crumpled under freeway overpasses and stranded on the sand-drenched beach. Across Los Angeles County last year, the unskilled died in record numbers, an average of five homeless deaths a day, most in plain view of the world around them.

Two hundred eighty-seven homeless people took their last breaths on the sidewalk, at city alleys and 72 were found on the ground, according to data from the county coroner. They were a small fraction of the thousands of homeless people across the country who die each year.

"It's like a war zone that's in places where there is no war," said Dr. Maria Raven, an emergency room physician in San Francisco who co-wrote a study about homeless deaths.

An epidemic of deaths on the streets of American cities has been

Judge Rescinds Mask Mandate For Passengers

By *CHARLIE SAVAGE* and *HEATHER WELPETY*

WASHINGTON — A federal judge in Florida on Monday rescinded a mask requirement on airplanes, trains, buses and other public transportation on Monday, less than a week after the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention had extended it through May 3.

The ruling left it up to individual states and local health agencies to decide what to do, and by late Monday the majority of large airlines had dropped their mask requirements for domestic flights.

The Amtrak rail system said passengers and employees would no longer need to wear masks.

In a 10-page decision, Judge Kathryn Kimball Mizelle, who was appointed by President Donald J. Trump, voided the mandate that airlines apply to airports, train stations and other transportation hubs — nationwide on several grounds, including that the agency had exceeded its legal authority under the Public Health Service Act of 1944. Because of the ruling, the masking order was not effective for the time being, and the Transportation Security Administration would not enforce it, a federal administrator official said on Monday evening.

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Trump's Allies Keep Up Fight To Nullify Vote

This article is by *Maggie Haberman*, *Alanna Bernstein* and *Michael S. Schmidt*.

A group of President Donald J. Trump's allies and associates spent months trying to overturn the 2020 election based on his lie that he was the true winner.

Now, some of the same coalition who tried to falsify the results based on a set of bogus legal theories are pushing an even wilder request: that by "decoupling" the 2020 vote from the states, the outcome can still be reversed.

In statehouses and courtrooms across the country, as well as on right-wing news media, allies of Mr. Trump — including the lawyer John Eastman — are pressing for state or even federal legislation to force a new election. Some of these allies are casting their work as a precursor to reinstating the former president.

The efforts have failed to change any state's outcome or secure mass election fraud. Legal experts dismiss them as preposterous, noting that there is no plausible scenario under the Constitution for reversing Mr. Trump's office.

But just as Mr. Eastman's original plan to use Congress' final count of electoral votes on Jan. 6, 2021, to overturn the election was

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A Crisis in California Especially for Men

room physician in San Francisco who co-wrote a study about homeless deaths.

An epidemic of deaths on the streets of American cities has been

More than ever it has become

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‘How did I let her go there?’: mother laments daughter’s private hospital death

Caroline Sharp wonders why her daughter Emma Pring, who died at the Cygnet in Maidstone, couldn’t have been treated by the NHS

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Too little, too late: who will fix the home care crisis for Australia’s ageing population?

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edition /ɪ'dɪʃən/

the copies of a newspaper that are produced and printed at the same time

-the electronic / morning edition of 'The Guardian'



THE TIMES

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Obama attacks BP over 'worst' oil disaster

Giles Whittell Washington

President Obama launched a ferocious attack on BP and the oil industry yesterday as what is now officially the worst spill in US history threatened to derail his presidency.

Seizing the initiative on the first day of potentially good news from the Gulf of Mexico, Mr Obama cancelled or suspended dozens of offshore drilling projects and condemned a "scandalously close relationship" between oil companies and government regulators.

He said: "As far as I'm concerned, BP is responsible for this horrific disaster, and we will hold them fully accountable on behalf of the United States as well as the communities



Premiere example of fashion bravery – or a frocky horror show?

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Sarah Jessica Parker and Kristin Davis gave a head-turning performance at the British premiere of Sex and the City 2 in Leicester Square. News, page 11

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IN THE NEWS

Police charge student with Bradford murders

Stephen Griffiths, a criminology student from Bradford, has been charged with murdering three prostitutes. News, pages 4, 5

Immigration surge

More than 200,000 people became British citizens last year – a rise of 58 per cent. More than half came from Africa and the Indian sub-continent. News, page 6

Stay on the beaches

The waters off Morecambe South, Lancashire and Lyme Regis, Dorset, are among the most polluted in Britain, the Marine Conservation Society revealed. News, pages 12, 13

Hezbollah arsenal

Hezbollah is running weapons, including surface-to-surface missiles, from secret arms depots in Syria to bases in Lebanon. The Times has learnt. World, page 37

Murray wins through


Andy Murray overcame a day of rain delays to win his second-round match at the French Open in five sets. He beat Juan Ignacio Chela 6-2, 6-7, 6-3, 6-2. Sport, page 1

Inside today

The revolutionary leanings of Margot Fonteyn

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How the latest technology can help you to




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a separate part of a newspaper

-a special / the Sunday supplement



Last weekend's Mail newspapers and supplements



editorial page / ,edə'tɔ:riəl peɪdʒ/
*the section that gives the paper's
opinion*

-the editorial pages in the newspaper

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THE CONVERSATION

This Is Not the Year of the Optimist



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Unless you're Elon Musk.

Gail Collins and Bret Stephens

Bret Stephens: I hope you had a good Easter, Gail. The news has been so depressing lately. A crazy guy opens fire in a subway in Brooklyn. The Russians are committing atrocities in Ukraine and are starting a major offensive in the east. And my tuna melt at New York City diner, not including the tip.

Anything cheering you up?

Gail Collins: Ah, Bret. Your vision of unshackling the Republican Party from Trump is re-

Bret: I'm sympathetic to the idea that social-media companies should try to honor the spirit of the First Amendment, even if they aren't legally bound by it. But the idea that Twitter is a good forum for speech is silly. Trying to communicate a thought in 280 characters isn't speaking. It's blurring. You don't use Twitter for persuasion. You use it for insults and virtue signaling. A healthy free-speech environment depends on people talking with each other. Twitter is a medium for people to talk at others. The best thing that could happen to Twitter isn't an acquisition, by Musk or anyone else. We backpedal.

Bret: My favorite Republican these days is the governor of New Hampshire, Chris Sununu, who recently described Donald Trump as "crazy," with a pungent modifier to go with it. Being able to say that out loud should be a litmus test for any serious conservative. Other litmus tests include the willingness to connect the words "evil" with "Putin," "legitimate" with "2020 election," "President" with "Biden" and "supercilious twerp" with "Tucker." All the rest is commentary.

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LETTERS

Elon Musk's Bid to Take Over Twitter

TO THE EDITOR:

Re "After Tying With Twitter, Musk Now Wants It All" (front page, April 15):

What a disaster it would be for Elon Musk to acquire Twitter and open it up to disinformation and lies from Donald Trump and other right-wing activists.

Misinformation, unconstrained by any need to be accurate or honest, is psychologically seductive, and countering it by fact-checking is often ineffective. That is why the right wing is in full support of Mr. Musk, cynically claiming that it's a "free speech" issue.

Twitter would likely return to broadcasting anti-democratic misinformation about elections, with devastating consequences. In the face of intense voter suppression, gerrymandering and partisan attacks on election boards and secretaries of state, America's grasp on democracy is already very shaky. The country just barely survived a coup attempt on Jan. 6. A return to a complete free-for-all on Twitter is a frightening prospect.

GARY M. STEWART
LAGUNA BEACH, CALIF.

TO THE EDITOR:

In a stunning move, Elon Musk has taken action into his own hands by offering to take over Twitter for more than \$40 billion. The world's richest person, in a letter to Twitter's board chairman, stated his primary goal: to transform Twitter, the de facto town square, "to be the platform for free speech around the globe."

It should be a given that all social media platforms, including Twitter, should adhere to free speech principles, but sadly that is not the case. In addition, social media should make life better. Its hallmarks should be open commu-

nication, respectful dialogue and the good-faith, free exchange of ideas and information. It should be part of the solution, not the problem. Again, this is not the case.

Social media today has become a source of hostility, lack of civility, distrust, propaganda, alienation, misinformation and cancellation. Mr. Musk's efforts should be applauded and celebrated. Just as his other endeavors have revolutionized industry, I am confident that he'll do the same for the social media sector.

A meaningful and fundamental transformation of Twitter is required. A mere change in management, financial structure or algorithms will not suffice. Can it be done? Yes.

It's not a mission to Mars. But what Elon Musk is suggesting can be a giant leap forward for our society.

DAN RUBINO, NEW YORK

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TO THE EDITOR:

Elon Musk's offer to buy Twitter is understandably creating much consternation, particularly among those who worry about concentrating too much power over public media in one person's hands. I wonder if there might be a way to revise the F.C.C.'s media cross-ownership rules, which were designed to avoid a single corporate entity from owning multiple types of media companies, to somehow reduce Twitter's power over the global messaging landscape.

These rules were conceived long before the advent of social media, so they could not have foreseen platforms like Twitter and Facebook that consolidate audiences at a global level and concentrate messaging power in such dramatic fashion.

Maybe it's time for the F.C.C. to dust off the cross-ownership rules and figure out how to make them relevant to our current media landscape.

TOM SHORT, SAN RAFAEL, CALIF.

Allies' Aid to Ukraine

TO THE EDITOR:


The United States has been understandably reluctant to undertake military actions, such as a no-fly zone over Ukraine, that would entail initiating attacks on Russian forces. But the barbarism of Vlad-

biased /'baɪəst/

giving a single point of view

-to be biased towards sth/smb

-The newspapers The newspapers gave a
very biased report The newspapers gave
a very biased report of the meeting.



sensationalism /sen'seɪfənəlaɪzəm/
*reporting news to make it sound as
exciting or shocking as possible*

-silly sensationalism

-in the interests of sensationalism

7.3 The press

- 5** Complete the conversation with the words in the box.

biased circulation edition
editorial page sensationalism
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A: How can you read that ¹ _____ newspaper? Isn't it just full of gossip?

B: Yes. It loves to excite its readers with a bit of ² _____, but the Sunday ³ _____ has a great sport ⁴ _____. It's twenty pages long. I buy it for that.

A: I don't like their ⁵ _____. I never agree with the editor's opinion and he's so ⁶ _____ towards a particular political party. You know the one!

B: Ah, you must have read the paper to be so familiar with it!

A: Yes, you've got me. I've bought it once or twice.

B: Well, you're not the only one. It has got the highest newspaper ⁷ _____ in the country.