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Svetlana Zhaygva, 54, climbing onto a shattered bridge between Lysychansk and Sievierodonetsk, Ukraine, that civilians still cross.

## Justices Deliver Win to Schools Based in Faith

By ADAM LIPTAK

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court ruled on Tuesday that Maine may not exclude religious schools from a state tuition program, the latest decision by a conservative majority that has increasingly favored the role of religion in public life.

The vote was 6 to 3, with the court's three liberal justices dissenting.

Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr., writing for the majority, said the ruling did not require states to support religious education. But states that choose to subsidize private schools, he added, may not discriminate against religious ones.

In separate dissents, Justice Sonia Sotomayor and Justice Stephen G. Breyer expressed dismay at the direction of the court in taking up matters of religion in the public sphere. Justice Sotomayor said the decision was another step in dismantling "the wall of separation between church and state that the framers fought to build."

## A Trip for Apples, Over the Last Bridge Standing

By THOMAS GIBBONS-NEFF and NATALIA YERMAK

LYSYCHANSK, Ukraine — The woman's mission was simple: She was going shopping, and she would not be deterred. Svetlana Zhaygva just needed to cross a bridge.

But this was not just any bridge. The residents who lived nearby said it was mined. Ukrainian soldiers warned others that the bridge had been shelled and would likely be shelled again.

But last Friday morning Ms. Zhaygva, 54, woke up just before sunrise, climbed a ladder and walked across what is currently one of the most dangerous river crossings in the world.

In recent days, the three bridges connecting the two cities were destroyed, Ukrainian officials said, including Ms. Zhaygva's bridge, leaving the Ukrainian forces all but stranded as they fight to hold their shrinking pocket of territory in Sievierodonetsk from advancing Russian troops.

The area is a critical battleground and the scene of some of the fiercest fighting in the east. Russian forces recently pushed through the Ukrainian front line south of Sievierodonetsk, prompting Ukraine to rush reinforcements to the site to stave off the risk of encirclement.

## In Key Ukrainian City, a Focus on Mundane Tasks Despite War

"I am actually a thrill-seeker," Ms. Zhaygva said. The bridge spans roughly 230-foot-wide portion of the Siverskiy Donets River, which separates the eastern Ukrainian cities of Lysychansk and Sievierodonetsk. It would be completely impassible if not for several ladders connecting a collapsed section to the road above.

President Volodymyr Zelensky of Ukraine said this month that the fate of much of the east of the country was being decided in the

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## TRUMP PRESSURED STATES TO COMPLY ON FAKE ELECTORS

### A Clear Picture of His Direct Involvement in a Scheme to Cling to Power

By LUKE BROADWATER and ALAN FEUER  
WASHINGTON — The House committee investigating the Jan. 6 attack directly tied Donald J. Trump on Tuesday to a scheme to put forward fake states of pro-Trump electors and presented fresh details on how the former president sought to bully, cajole and bluff his way into invalidating his 2020 defeat in states around the country.

Using sworn in-person testimony from Republicans and videotaped depositions from other officials, the panel showed how the former president and a group of allies laid siege to state lawmakers and election officials after the balloting in a wide-ranging plot to reverse the outcome. The campaign led to harassment and threats of violence against anyone who resisted.

The hearing on Tuesday amounted to the most comprehensive picture to date of a president who directed an attack on democracy itself and repeatedly reached into its essential machinery — the administration of free and fair elections.

It was the committee's fourth hearing, and it captured how, long before a throng of his supporters and marching bands gathered on Jan. 6, 2021, Mr. Trump used election lies to whip up violence against anyone who dared to deny his false claims of victory.

"The president's lie was and is a dangerous cancer on the body politic," said Representative Adam B. Schiff, the California Democrat who led the questioning on Tuesday. "If you can convince Americans they cannot trust their own elections, that any time they lose is somehow illegitimate, then what is left but violence to determine who should govern?"

Over nearly three hours, the committee documented how Mr. Trump and his supporters — including his personal lawyer, Rudolph W. Giuliani, and his chief of staff, Mark Meadows — sought to persuade state officials to send certifying vote counts to give Mr. Trump a victory in the Electoral College.

Mr. Trump also sought to persuade lawmakers to create the states of alternate electors, hoping that Vice President Mike Pence might use them to subvert the normal process.

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Business & Finance

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U.S. stocks rallied off their recent weak slide. March 2020, with the S&P 500, Nasdaq and Dow industrial gaining 2.5%, 2.5% and 2.1%, respectively. B1

Biden is planning to call for a temporary suspension of the federal gasoline tax, according to people familiar with the matter. A1

The Supreme Court declined Tuesday to let bylaw to end thousands of lawsuits alleging that Bostongame cases cause, potentially costing the company billions of dollars in legal settlements. B1

Facebook parent Meta agreed to adopt new online advertising practices to settle a probe by federal officials who said its ads discriminated against women by race, gender and other factors. A2

American businesses in China say they fear a U.S. law that would restrict imports from China's Xinjiang region that affect Tuesday might interrupt shipments and raise compliance costs. A1

A Glencore subsidiary created a corporate policy plan in the U.K. as part of a series of international deals to resolve allegations of bribery and money laundering. A1

Cryptocurrency FTX extended a \$250 million revolving credit line to crypto lender BlockFi. B1

World-Wide

The Biden administration is moving forward on a plan to mandate the elimination of nearly all nicotine in cigarettes, a policy that would speed the \$107 billion U.S. cigarette industry and health officials say, prompt millions of people to quit smoking. A1, A2

Republican officials in states that Biden narrowly won recalled in testimony before the Jan. 6 panel how Trump pressured them to try to alter the results of the 2020 election. A1

Republican voters in Alabama selected Katie Britt, who was endorsed by Trump, as the nominee for the Senate in a runoff primary election, according to the Associated Press. A1

The Senate began debate Tuesday on bipartisan legislation intended to end the filibuster in the Senate and would represent the first major federal change to gun laws in decades. A4

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Tens of thousands of transport workers brought the U.S. to a standstill during the country's largest rail strike in three decades. A6

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## 'The Law-Enforcement Response...Was an Abject Failure'



UNLOCKED: Texas Department of Public Safety Director Steven McCraw, showing photos of classroom doors, said nothing barred Uvalde, Texas, officers from entering the room where a shooter was actively gunning down students and teachers. A3

## FDA Targets the Elimination Of Most Nicotine in Cigarettes

By JENNIFER MASON

The Biden administration is moving forward on a plan to mandate the elimination of nearly all nicotine in cigarettes, a policy that would speed the \$107 billion U.S. cigarette industry and health officials say, prompt millions of people to quit smoking. A1, A2

Home Prices Keep Up Pace  
While home sales slowed under pressure from higher mortgage costs, home prices kept climbing in May, with median prices surpassing \$400,000 for the first time in a combination of higher rates and soaring mortgage rates. A2



Source: National Association of Realtors.

Save It For The Online Judges  
Chinese firms ask users to evaluate shopping gripe

By SAHA BHA  
When online shoppers have had a bad experience, some might direct the seller with a one-star review or just let the matter go. But a new Chinese app is asking users to evaluate shopping gripe

Summer Turbulence Hits Global Air Travel  
Delays, cancellations, long lines and lost luggage are plaguing air travel worldwide, as airlines and airports struggle with soaring summer demand and staff shortages.

London's Gatwick Airport has told airlines to cut back on inbound flights as it struggles with staff shortages and canceled flights. Over a four-day weekend celebrating Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee this month, lines of passengers waiting for check-in stretched out of the terminal. American Airlines' flight 1141 to London was canceled. The airline said it was unable to show up more than four hours before their flight. It is also warning them to wear comfortable shoes for the hours-long wait once inside.

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Warren Buffett's Estate Plans Send Charities Scrambling  
Family foundation gets word to expect tens of billions of dollars  
Warren Buffett has long held his cards close to the vest when it comes to his investing plans. Now, charities including the Gates Foundation are racing to adapt to possible changes in his plans for

By Emily Glazer, Elizabeth Seltzer and Thero Jones  
charitable giving. The results could dramatically reshape the world of philanthropy.

In 2004, the Omaha billionaire made a pledge worth tens of billions of dollars: He would earmark 85% of his stock in his com-

pany, Berkshire Hathaway Inc., for charity, with the bulk going to the Gates Foundation, a global philanthropy run by his longtime friend, Bill & Melinda Gates. The foundation is racing to adapt to possible changes in his plans for

Less clearly worded was what would happen to the undistributed shares after Mr. Buffett, who turns 92 in August, dies. For years, the Gates Foundation made preparations for that event. Staffers scrambled to find potential heirs for an estimated \$10 billion in shares.

## Kellogg To Split, Focus More on Snacks

Business to divide into three companies in an effort to be much more agile and productive

By ANNE GREGG

Kellogg Co. said it plans to break up its business into three companies, seeking to jump-start its larger, faster-growing snacks business while helping its cereal brands regain their footing on supermarket shelves.

The move, which Kellogg said would separate snacks such as Pringles, Cheez-Its and Pop-Tarts from cereal-side brands such as Frosty Loops, aims to create more agile, focused companies and mark a shift from the food industry's decades-long strategy of pursuing acquisitions and bidding sales.

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