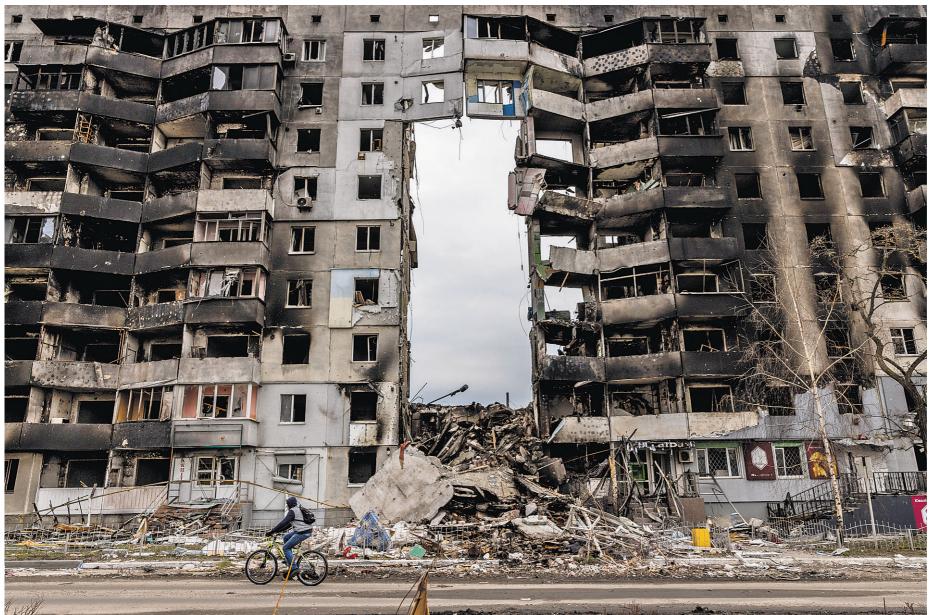
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Today, mostly cloudy, rain, heaviest in the morning, high 52. **Tonight,** mostly cloudy skies, low 45. Tomorrow, cloudy, turning rainy again, high 52. Weather map, Page A24.

In Scathing Speech, Zelensky Chastises U.N. for Inaction



Borodyanka, a Ukrainian commuter town near Kyiv, was among the first places to be hit by Russian airstrikes. The acting mayor estimated the dead at more than 200.

Germany Strains to Wean Itself Off Gas Imports Subsidizing War

By KATRIN BENNHOLD

LUBMIN, Germany — Past a nudist beach and a sleepy marina, a gigantic mesh of metallic pipes rises from the pine forest behind the tiny village of Lubmin on Germany's Baltic coast

If few people have heard of Lubmin, from Berlin to Washington many seem to know the name of the two gas pipelines arriving here directly from Russia: Nord Stream 1, which carries almost 60 million cubic meters of natural gas per vear to keep Europe's biggest economy humming. And Nord Stream 2, built to increase that flow but abruptly shuttered in the run-up to Russia's attack on Ukraine.

The pair of pipelines has become a twin symbol of Germany's dangerous dependence on Russian gas - and the country's belated and frenzied effort to wean itself off it — with calls growing for the European Union to hit Moscow with tougher sanctions as atrocities come to light in Ukraine.

On Tuesday, the European Commission, the E.U.'s executive branch, proposed banning imports of Russian coal and soon, possibly, its oil. But Russian gas far more critical to Germany and much of the rest of Europe — was

off the table. At least for now. "We are dependent on them," said Axel Vogt, mayor of Lubmin, which has a population of just 2,119, as he stood in the industrial harbor between the two pipelines one recent morning. "None of us imagined Russia ever going to war. Now Russia is one of our main suppliers of gas, and that's

That dependence on Russia accounting for more than a quarter of Germany's total energy use - has meant that Berlin has so far refused to cut off President Vladimir V. Putin, whose war it is effectively subsidizing to the tune of an

not something we can change

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Pipes at the Nord Stream 1 gas pipeline in Lubmin, Germany.

Hundreds Missing, and Tons of Rubble to Clear

By CARLOTTA GALL

BORODYANKA, Ukraine -Andreiy Ziuzko stood near the flattened apartment complex in Borodyanka that was once his home, his belongings in plastic bags on the sidewalk beside a few blackened cooking pots on Tues-

The building had lain in ruins for weeks, struck just after fighting had driven him and his family to flee. It was only after a while that he explained something even worse had happened. His mother lived a few doors down, and her apartment had also been bombed.

same day," Mr. Ziuzko said. "I mayor said Tuesday.

By MIKE McINTIRE

in an obscure court case is a single

sentence, offered almost as an af-

terthought, about a meeting at a

Geneva restaurant where two

businessmen chatted about "a

yacht which had been presented

The passing reference, cited in

a 2010 judge's decision in London

on a financial dispute involving a

shipping company, is the rare bit

of public evidence directly linking

President Vladimir V. Putin of

Russia to any of the luxury boats,

planes or villas associated with

to Mr. Putin."

Buried in a 421-page legal filing

A Kviv Suburb Begins Its Grim Task Weeks After Airstrikes

can't find her."

Russian troops recently withdrew from the area around Borodyanka, a Ukrainian commuter town near Kyiv, the capital, that was among the first places to be hit by Russian airstrikes. Now dozens of people who were sheltering in basements or apartments are missing and presumed "Mom's home was hit on the dead under the rubble, the acting

What Does Putin Actually Own? It's Hard to Tell.

Sanctions Muddled by

Hidden Wealth

him over the years. It has taken on

new significance as U.S. and Euro-

pean authorities pursue the hid-

den wealth of Mr. Putin and people

close to him in response to Rus-

But the British court document

also holds a clue to why it has been

so hard to clearly connect the Rus-

sian president to his rumored

riches. The yacht, called the

Olympia, was managed by a com-

sia's invasion of Ukraine.

"We think over 200 people died," said Georgii Yerko, the acting mayor of Borodyanka. "But it is an assumption.'

On Tuesday, New York Times journalists reached the town for the first time after Russian troops withdrew. The scars left behind were shocking, with great gashes sliced through multistory complexes along the main street. Four apartment buildings had collapsed in the bombing, residents said, their floors crushed down to ground level like concertinas. Heavy fighting left more destruction for two miles along the main

Russia's pullout from areas Continued on Page A6

pany in Cyprus, where corpora-

tion filings show that the true

owner was not Mr. Putin — it was

Indeed, it is one of many extrav-

agant assets long speculated to be

Mr. Putin's that actually are

owned or controlled by the state,

showing how much the private in-

terests of the president and his in-

ner circle have merged with those

of the government he has domi-

nated for two decades. Others in-

clude a sprawling resort, a fleet of

the Russian government.

Bodies Silences Chamber By RICHARD PÉREZ-PEÑA

Video of Charred

With evidence mounting of atrocities in the Kyiv suburbs, and Russian forces preparing for a new offensive farther east. President Volodymyr Zelensky of Ukraine delivered a scathing speech to the United Nations on Tuesday, accusing Russia of a litany of horrors and questioning whether a world body that takes no action to stop a war serves any purpose.

Speaking via video link to the U.N. Security Council, he compared Russian forces to the Islamic State, called for a Nuremberg-like war crimes tribunal and vented his bitter frustration, knowing that the council - where Russia is one of five permanent members with veto power would do nothing but talk.

"Where is the security that the Security Council needs to guarantee?" Mr. Zelensky said, raising the question of whether Russia deserved to keep its seat on the council. "Are you ready to close the U.N.? Do you think that the time of international law is gone? If your answer is no, then you need to act immediately."

The chamber fell silent as a short video provided by Mr. Zelensky's government played, showing some of the hundreds of corpses found strewn around the city of Bucha, northwest of Kyiv, after Russian forces retreated last week - bloated, charred bodies of civilians, including children. Some victims, their hands bound, had been shot in the head.

Mr. Zelensky said that in Bucha, "they killed entire families, adults and children, and they tried to burn the bodies." Civilians "were crushed by tanks while sitting in their cars in the middle of the road," he added, asserting that women were raped and killed in front of their children; their tongues were pulled out."

China refrained from criticizing Russia in Tuesday's session, saying that the Security Council should wait until investigations establish the facts in Ukraine. A rising global power, China has drawn closer to Russia in recent years, united by a shared antipathy to the United States. The divisions on the war appeared essentially unchanged since Feb. 26, when 11 of 15 Security Council members voted for a resolution condemning Russia's invasion, Russia vetoed the measure, and three others abstained — China, India and the United Arab Emirates.

Russia's U.N. ambassador, Vasily Nebenzya, reiterated his government's claims - rebutted by ample evidence - that atrocities in Bucha had been faked, or had not occurred when Russians held the city. He made a number of other unsupported claims, including stating falsely that in Ukraine where the freely elected president is a Jew who lost family members in the Holocaust - Nazis are "running the show."

After President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia launched the war on Ukraine on Feb. 24, his military Continued on Page A8

The United States and its allies Continued on Page A9

planes and still more yachts.

expensive automobiles, fancy

Pills Are New Target in 50-Year Abortion Battle

By KATE ZERNIKE

Last year, after Texas passed its strict abortion ban, surgical abortions in the state dropped by half. Many women found a workaround: pills. The week the law took effect, requests for medication abortion shot up to 138 a day from 11 a day at just one service that delivers the pills by mail.

Anti-abortion lawmakers in the state were already on it. That

States Crack Down on a Post-Roe Option

same week, they passed another law making it a felony to provide abortion pills through the mail and requiring doctors to comply with new testing and reporting procedures to prescribe them.

Medication abortion is the new

front in the nation's five-decadelong fight, as both sides anticipate that by summer the Supreme Court could overturn or pare back the constitutional right to abortion established in Roe v. Wade.

Supporters of abortion rights, Continued on Page A19

OKLAHOMA MEASURE Lawmakers in the state approved a neartotal ban on abortion. PAGE A19

Aiming to Change Twitter, Musk Joins Its Board

Mike Isaac and Lauren Hirsch.

Elon Musk, the world's richest man, reached out to Parag Agrawal, Twitter's chief executive, a few weeks ago with a friendly heads-up. He was buying shares of the social media company, Mr. Musk confided, and wanted to discuss how to make Twitter better.

Mr. Musk had ideas for reshap-

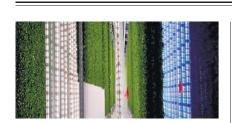
This article is by Kate Conger, Advocate of a Shift in Social Media's Power

> ing social networks that dovetailed with those of Mr. Agrawal and Jack Dorsey, Twitter's cofounder, according to their public exchanges. All three have floated the notion of radically shifting the power in social networking to us-

ers and away from behemoth companies, by using an approach to technology that would give people control over what they see in

their social media feeds. In the ensuing weeks, Mr. Agrawal discussed having Mr. Musk become a more active participant in Twitter's future, according to two people with knowledge of the conversations who were not authorized to speak pub-

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Boom Time for Vertical Farms

Growing crops indoors is expanding as demand grows for year-round produce, but challenges abound.

JetBlue Makes Offer on Spirit

The company's \$3.6 billion bid has thrown a wrench in Frontier Airlines' plan to merge with Spirit.

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Darfur Trial at The Hague

A man accused of leading the terrifying janjaweed militia faces 31 charges of war crimes committed in western Sudan. Over 200,000 people died. PAGE A11

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Battling Medicare for a Drug

The Alzheimer's Association has pushed for access to Aduhelm, despite its risks and tenuous efficacy. PAGE A17

A Sprawling Cast of Characters

Among the challenges facing the grand jury in the Jan. 6 Capitol attack is the sheer number of witnesses. PAGE A14



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Woods Plans to Play the Masters

Tiger Woods, who sustained significant leg injuries in a car crash last year, will seek his 16th major title.

Kansas' Winning Formula

Remy Martin, a transfer, and David McCormack, a senior, played big roles in the Jayhawks' comeback win. PAGE B11 ARTS C1-6

A Lover's Influence

A new exhibition explores the artist and author David Wojnarowicz's first significant relationship, with Jean Pierre Delage, which liberated him emotionally and changed him artistically.

L.G.B.T.Q. Love Stories

Sales of queer romance novels have surged, with new titles coming from the biggest publishers and finding prominent space on the shelves of mainstream retailers. PAGE C1

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Tasty in TriBeCa

The offerings at Victoria Blamey's Mena don't "look or taste like anything else in the city," Pete Wells writes. Above, the Cape Cod surf clam. PAGE D1

