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Ukrainian drone teams have a powerful new tool: near real-time data from satellites on troop movements and locations. Page A8.

Post-Pandemic Supreme Court Has More to Say

By ADAM LIPTAK

On about 40 mornings each year, the justices take their seats behind the Supreme Court’s majestic mahogany bench to hear oral arguments.

Part interrogation of the lawyers before them and part conversation among the justices, those sessions are not as important as the written briefs submitted by the parties. But the arguments that follow those submissions are essentially the only way the public can see the court at work.

The ritual had hardly changed in 50 years until the spring of 2020, when the pandemic ousted the

Oral Arguments Stretch Much Longer Since Change in Format

ceremony. When the justices returned to the bench in October 2021, their approach to oral arguments had undergone a revolution. The aftershocks are still reverberating.

The justices allowed live audio of the arguments, letting the public hear what went on in the courtroom in real time from anywhere in the world.

They also revised the format of the arguments, adopting an ungainly hybrid that started with a familiar free-for-all barrage of questions and ended with one-by-one queries in order of the justices’ seniority.

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At 92, Nader Is Still Asking You to Listen

By BENJAMIN ORESKES

Each day, nearly without fail, Ralph Nader inhales several prominent periodicals, breathing new life into his perpetual state of outrage at the political environment du jour.

He will inevitably call Shine-Erk Picon, his assistant, with a list of reporters, academics and elected officials he wants to contact. He will inevitably bristle when his missives are not received with the enthusiasm (or responses) they so richly deserve.

This was one of those instances. For several years, Mr. Nader, 92, has been trying to get anyone — reporters, state lawmakers, Mayor Zohran Mamdani of New York City — to take up the fight to bring back a stock transfer tax that existed in New York State for about 80 years until 1981, when Gov. Hugh L. Carey ushered through a 100 percent rebate.

Even in a moment when taxing the rich is all the rage, a bill to repeal the rebate has gone nowhere in Albany. In many ways, the quest for a stock transfer tax en-

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Future Champions Battling Shifting Sands
An uninhabited Irish island fills up one day each summer for treasured amateur races. Page A4.

Start of Shakur Murder Trial Revisits Gang Wars

By JULIA JACOBS and THOMAS FULLER

Three decades after the murder of Tupac Shakur, the hip-hop legend gunned down in the prime of his career, the trial of the only person ever to be charged in connection with the killing began in a Nevada courtroom on Monday.

Duane Keith Davis, whose memoir of gangland stories is being used against him in the case,

Lawyer Calls Suspect’s Memoir Unreliable

was described as responsible for the “orchestration” of Mr. Shakur’s killing on the night of Sept. 7, 1996.

Binu Palal, the prosecutor, told jurors in the Las Vegas courtroom that Mr. Shakur’s murder

stemmed from a series of gang-related grievances and counter-grievances including an “act of disrespect”: the yanking of a gold chain from a man’s neck at a Los Angeles shopping mall.

Mr. Davis was charged three

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AT THE SCENE The people who were present on the night of the fatal confrontation in 1996. PAGE C1

For African Priests in Italy, a Tentative Embrace

By MOTOKO RICH and JOSEPHINE DE LA BRUYÈRE

VERNIO, Italy — The priest stepped into the bedroom where his 90-year-old parishioner lay sleeping in a hospital bed, flanked by oxygen tanks. The pastor towered over the bed and leaned down to move close to the patient, Carlo Martini, as the old man’s eyes fluttered open briefly.

“How are you?” the priest, the Rev. Vincent Souly, asked, a bit too loudly.

Mr. Martini’s wife, Renza Giagnoni, stood to the side and watched. “It looks like we’re the United Nations!” she said, also a bit too loudly.

Father Souly is one of the few Black faces in the province of Prato, a mountainous region of Tuscany in central Italy, where he has served for 15 years as a Roman Catholic priest.

He has built warm relationships with his predominantly Italian flocks and is embraced by many

parishioners. Born in Burkina Faso and raised and ordained in Ivory Coast, he is now an Italian citizen and is committed to staying in Prato as long as he is needed.

Yet, he said, his Italian passport

does not necessarily make others see him as Italian.

“Where I’m from, we say, ‘A piece of wood, no matter how long it stays in water, will never be-

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The Rev. Vincent Souly leads several rural parishes in Tuscany.

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