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The government promises that all teachers will receive surgical masks by the end of the month. This was announced by Jean Castex on BFM TV. Unions ask for FFP2 masks, which are more protective but reserved for the moment for nursing staff and patients with severe forms of covid. The Prime Minister is also awaiting the opinion of the High Council of Public Health, which must decide tomorrow on their generalization.

Jean Castex also reaffirms his desire to implement the vaccination pass from January 15. The measure was adopted at first reading this morning by the National Assembly after 3 days of heated debates. The text must now be considered by the Senate early next week.

The *Académie française* denounces the use of several bilingual words on new French IDs, which entered into force last summer. For example, the term "Surname" is written next to the term "nom". These English terms go against the constitution for the French Academy which says it is ready to seize the Council of State.

An investigation is opened by the prosecution against Pierre Ménès. The former host of Canal + is accused by 7 people of sexual harassment when he worked for the channel. This was denounced by the journalist Marie Portolano in a documentary broadcast last March on Canal +.

In the United States, the images had shocked the world. It was a year ago to the day, that Donald Trump supporters stormed the Capitol in Washington. They had tried to prevent the validation of the election of Joe Biden. The current resident of the White House will give a speech today to evoke this dark page in American history. And he intends to denounce his predecessor, as he considers that this chaos was caused by Donald Trump.

And then soccer: after Angers - Saint-Étienne, a new match of the 20th day of premier league (Lille-Lorient) is postponed due to COVID. 12 positive cases were recorded on the Lorient side and 8 among Lille. On the other hand, the meeting between OM and Bordeaux is maintained for now despite requests for postponement of the Girondins.