

## The News © February 1st, 1pm by Nia Cason



The leaders of Orpéa were summoned this morning by the government. They spoke for 45 minutes with the minister in charge of the elderly, Brigitte Bourguignon, to explain some of the revelations of the book "Les Fossoyeurs" by Victor Castanet, who accuses the retirement home giant of mistreating its residents. Brigitte Bourguignon announced this morning the opening of two investigations, including one from the General Inspectorate of Finance. The CEO of Orpéa has indicated that he is committed to transparency and denounces the accusations as unfounded.

Relatives of Nordahl Lelandais will testify in court today, including a former girlfriend and the brother of the accused. This is the second day of the trial, in the case of the murder of little Maëlys. The 8-year-old girl was murdered in 2017 in Isère. Lelandais is facing life imprisonment.

In Limoux in the Aude, an elderly resident found a suitcase containing a fetus or a newborn. The resident found the suitcase in her garden last Wednesday, and no further details are available for the moment. The center of the criminal investigation of Narbonne is now involved.

Pôle emploi employees are on strike. At the call of several unions, they will strike today to demand a rise in wages, but also more human resources in the face of the increase in the number of missions. The unions also denounce the measures taken by the government to "re-mobilise" the unemployed.

In Marseille, garbage collectors will be on strike. The municipality announced that it would mobilize private companies to proceed with waste collection in the city today. The city fears fires linked to trash cans and increased pollution.