

## The News

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The magistrates of the trial of the attacks of November 13 have two days to decide. They spent this afternoon in a place kept secret to think about the verdicts to be given to the 14 defendants. The defendants spoke one last time this morning, including Salah Abdeslam who declared that he did made mistakes but that he is not a killer. The verdict should be given at the end of the day on Wednesday.

The epidemic rebound is confirmed day by day. Nearly 80,000 cases of covid were recorded on Friday. The incidence rate is also increasing. On a national scale, it is now approaching 650 cases per 100,000 inhabitants. This upsurge in contaminations of the BA.4 and BA.5 subvariants is worrying health authorities. Some health professionals are calling for a return to mandatory masks in public transportation.

They are demanding wage increases. Truck drivers were mobilized today in front of industrial sites, such as in Orléans, Lille and Lunéville among others. Their demonstrations disrupted traffic in the sectors concerned. According to the unions, road transport employees are faced with galloping inflation combined with wages way too low.

A Breton slaughterhouse is sentenced after a shock video revealed by the L214 association. A company from Briec in Finistère was fined 21 thousand 500 euros, which is twice as much as what was requested during the trial in Quimper mid-May. 4 employees received a suspended sentence of up to 6 months in prison. L214 had filed a complaint following the video shot in early 2021 in which we saw pigs tortured before being killed.

In Ukrain, the Ukrainian president addressed the leaders of the G7 by videoconference, asking them to do their best to end the war before winter.

In cycling: 4 days from the Tour de France, we learn that Julian Alaphilippe will be absent from this 2022 edition. The double world champion is not taken on by his Quick Step team. The Frenchman resumed competition yesterday, two months after his very serious fall in Liège-Bastogne-Liège. But according to his team, he is not ready for the Tour.