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This is his first trip to France since the beginning of the Russian invasion a year ago. Volodymyr Zelensky is expected in Paris this evening. The Ukrainian president will be received at the Elysée by Emmanuel Macron and the German Chancellor Olaf Scholz will also be present. Volodymyr Zelensky was in the United Kingdom this afternoon and will be in Brussels tomorrow to participate in a summit of the European Union.

Abroad. The number of deaths continues to increase 48 hours after the earthquakes that hit Turkey and Syria. Authorities now speak of 11,700 deaths. International aid continues to arrive, but the weather and the cold complicate the work of rescuers who are trying to find survivors in the rubble.

In France. Another mobilization against the pension reform will take place on Thursday February 16. This was announced by the 8 main unions and will be the fifth day of strike against the text. There is also a day of mobilization scheduled for this Saturday, in the middle of school holidays for Zones A and B.

Total's record profits last year amount to 19.5 billion euros. The government spokesman recognized today after the Council of Ministers that this was a shocking figure. Olivier Véran said he was in favour of a new rebate at the pump from the French oil group. Its CEO Patrick Pouyanné mentioned this option in the newspaper Le Parisien. He states that the only condition is that the price of diesel exceed again 2 euro per litre.

There are concerns regarding the state of health of Michel Drucker. The host of France Télévisions is hospitalized for a series of medical tests, according to Le Parisien. At the age of 80, he had returned to television in March of 2021 after a long recovery and a critical heart operation.

And then a word of sports with a first medal for France at the biathlon world championships in Germany; A bronze medal for the mixed relay led by Julia Simon, Anaïs Chevalier-Bouchet, Émilien Jacquelin and Quentin Fillon Maillet.