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Today is a decisive day in the Assembly. 2 motions of censure, submitted by the group Liot and the elected officials of the *Rassemblement National* will be debated. If one of them is adopted then the government will have to resign.

In the streets, actions continue to denounce the pension reform. Many refineries are stopping fuel production today, the SNCF announced disrupted traffic today with 4 out of 5 TGVs and 2 TER out of 3. Finally in national education, teachers were called upon not to monitor the baccalaureate specialty tests, which started this morning for more than 500,000 high school students.

Despite the mobilization, Emmanuel Macron persists. He declared last night that "the pension reform must go to the end of its democratic journey, while respecting all"; The President may speak on television tomorrow evening.

And also in the headlines today, a tragedy took place in Paris. A woman was found dead this morning in the 12th arrondissement after having received several stab wounds in the throat. The suspect, her husband, was arrested.

And a long-awaited but also very dreaded report: The IPCC published today the synthesis of its last 6 reports on the climate. The Earth has never been so hot in 125,000 years and climatic disasters are expected to multiply in the years to come.

A bit of optimism for the Banque de France. In its latest forecasts published this morning, the institution has doubled its growth forecast in France for 2023. It is now counting on a 0.6% increase in GDP, against 0.3% expected so far. The Banque de France is also lowering its inflation forecast for 2023 and predicts a peak towards the end of the first half of the year.

And then "L'Iris Blanc" will be the title of the next Asterix album, which will be released on October 26. For the first time, Fabcaro will be in charge of the script, which will focus on very popular themes including positive thinking and personal development.