



## The News

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Emmanuel Macron told crowds in the Hérault yesterday that they would have to wait until 2027 before there was a chance he would resign. Once again, due to the recent pension reform, the President was met with booing and clanging saucepans while he was out and about on a public visit. At the same time, demonstrations took place in Rennes and just outside Paris in the business district of La Défense. Nearly 300 people rushed into the lobby of the Euronext building, which is the owner of the Paris Stock Exchange

The verdict is expected later today in the trial on the attack in rue Copernic in Paris in 1980. Yesterday, the prosecutor requested a life sentence for the only defendant, Hassan Diab. The bomb attack in front of a synagogue left four people dead.

The wildfire in Pyrénées Orientales has officially been extinguished. Firefighters had spent five days battling the blaze before they finally succeeded in their task yesterday evening. The fire, which started on Sunday morning, destroyed nearly 1,000 hectares of vegetation between Cerbère and Banyuls-sur-Mer.

Between 10 and 20,000 people have fled from Sudan to neighbouring Chad according to the World Health Organization. Since Saturday, the WHO has counted at least 330 dead and 3,200 injured people. Two generals have clashed in the capital of Khartoum in a violent bid to seize power. The United States has now sent soldiers to Sudan to prepare for potentially evacuating the US embassy.

And finally, what do Cristiano Ronaldo, Pope Francis and Lady Gaga have in common? It's Elon Musk who holds the answer as the billionaire has followed through on his threat and stripped their Twitter accounts of their blue certified ticks. Now, to remain certified, high profile account holders will have to pay for a subscription to Twitter Blue.