



The News

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Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton will probably be the candidates in the running for the White House in November, as Super Tuesday draws to a close. Caucuses to pick the Republican and Democrat candidates were held across 12 states. Trump and Clinton won seven states each. However, neither are the official candidate yet. Democrat Bernie Sanders won four states, while Republican Ted Cruz won big in Texas and Oklahoma. This morning, Cruz was calling on fellow Republican candidates to drop out and unite behind him against Trump. The final party candidates will become clear over the next two weeks, as nine states hold their caucuses, including the crucial states of Florida, Ohio and North Carolina.

François Hollande has come to the defense of the proposed work bill that has been put forward by Myriam El Khomri. The president has assured that the bill would grant employees flexibility and security while enabling companies to negotiate. The bill is due to be presented on March 24 to the Council of Ministers. Prime Minister, Manuel Valls has suddenly postponed his visit to Australia that was scheduled for next week in order to work alongside social partners.

Michelin will be cutting nearly 500 jobs in France in the next two years. The French tire giant will be restructuring its business in its hometown of Clermont Ferrand. Management has assured that these will not be forced departures and that employees will be sent to work at other Michelin sites. The news comes as the site at Clermont Ferrand has had an extraordinary year.

Skiers are being urged to take care after two skiers fell to their deaths yesterday in the Savoie. A 47 year old man died in Valmeinier after losing control of his skis. Another 27-year old skier died after falling into rocks.

To football now, and tonight is the quarter finals of the Coupe de France. Lorient will play Gazélec Ajaccio at 7pm while Sochaux take on Nantes. Then, at 9:05 pm, Paris Saint Germain will take on Saint Etienne.

And talking of football, Toulouse has a new coach. Pascal Dupra will replace Dominique Arribagé, who resigned after a series of poor performances from the team. Dupra's main task will be to avoid relegation after Toulouse's results have improved.