

### French Set To Strike On Libyan Border

PARIS (AP) — France said Monday its troops south of Libya are ready to strike extremists crossing the border, but the speaker of Libya's internationally recognized parliament rejected any Western military intervention in his country. International concern has been mounting over Libya, which is mired in its worst fighting since Western and Gulf-backed rebels overthrew dictator Moammar Gadhafi and killed him in 2011. Today two rival governments are each backed by an array of militias fighting it out across the country, and extremists in the east have pledged allegiance to the Islamic State group. U.N.-sponsored talks between the rival governments did not take place Monday as scheduled. U.N. spokesman Stephane Dujarric said recent development on the ground "have not been conducive in any way to holding a dialogue." He said the U.N. is urging the rival governments to agree on the timing and a venue "that complies with the necessary security requirements."

### Jury Selection Begins In Bombing Trial

BOSTON (AP) — Some of the prospective jurors who could decide Dzhokhar Tsarnaev's fate got their first look Monday at the young man accused of bombing the Boston Marathon, and they seemed transfixed by the sight of the shaggy-haired 21-year-old. Tsarnaev, for his part, rose to his feet and nodded, slightly and awkwardly, as he was introduced to the first group of about 200 citizens. So began what could be weeks of jury selection in the nation's most closely watched terror trial since the Oklahoma City bombing two decades ago. Security was tight, with dozens of police officers stationed inside and outside the federal courthouse along with bomb-sniffing dogs. The potential jurors seemed riveted by Tsarnaev and by U.S. District Judge George O'Toole Jr.'s explanation of the gravity of what they will be asked to do if they are picked: They must decide not only whether the former college student is guilty or innocent, but also what his punishment will be if he is convicted — life in prison or execution.

### Keystone Looms As Showdown In D.C.

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Speaker John Boehner's prospects for a new term appeared secure Monday despite grumblings from tea party-aligned dissidents on the eve of a Republican takeover of Congress, while GOP leaders in both houses pointed toward a swift veto showdown with President Barack Obama over the long-stalled Keystone XL pipeline. Senate Republicans, winners of a majority in last fall's elections, began laying down markers for legislative battles ahead. "Tax reform should not be used as an excuse to raise taxes on the American people," wrote Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah, who will become chairman of the tax-writing Senate Finance Committee. "Any such effort is a needless distraction," he added, pointedly rejecting a long-held view of the White House and many Democrats. Tax reform was a distant target as congressional veterans and newcomers alike looked ahead to a day of pomp and ceremony beneath the Capitol Dome. Kentucky Sen. Mitch McConnell's ascension Tuesday to the post of Senate majority leader was automatic following his approval by rank-and-file Republicans late last year. That wasn't the case in the House, where the election of a speaker is the main event on any opening day's agenda. Rep. Louie Gohmert of Texas put himself forward as a challenger, and roughly a dozen Republicans have announced they will oppose Boehner's election. But that was far short of the number needed to place his election in jeopardy.

### GOP Targets Climate Change Measures

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama's determined efforts to combat global warming face their biggest trial yet as Republicans take full control of Congress this week. The GOP vows to move fast and forcefully to roll back his environmental rules and force his hand on energy development. The GOP's first order of business: the Keystone XL pipeline. The Republican-led House has repeatedly passed legislation to approve the pipeline, which would carry tar sands oil from Canada deep into the United States. The bills died in the Senate when Democrats were in control, but that will change Wednesday when a Republican-led Senate committee holds a Keystone hearing. "The president is going to see the Keystone XL pipeline on his desk and it's going to be a bellwether decision by the president whether to go with jobs and the economy," Sen. John Barrasso, R-Wyo., said Sunday. Success for Republicans on the climate front would jeopardize a key component of Obama's legacy. And the ramifications would likely ricochet far beyond the United States. Later this year, nations are supposed to sign a major global climate treaty in Paris. Aggressive action by the U.S. under Obama has upped the pressure on other governments to get serious about climate change, too. But if Obama can't make good on his commitments at home, it's unclear whether poorer nations will still feel compelled to act.

### AG Sends Regards To LGBT Couples

MIAMI (AP) — Lesbian and gay couples were wed in Miami on Monday by the same judge who approved their marriage licenses, hours before Florida's coming-out party as the nation's 36th state where same-sex marriages are now legal statewide. The addition of Florida's 19.9 million people means 70 percent of Americans now live in states where gay marriage is legal. The cheers in the courthouse reflect how much of the nation's third-largest state has changed since the 1970s, when Anita Bryant, the former beauty pageant queen and orange juice spokeswoman, started her national campaign against gay rights in Miami. "It's been a long time coming," said Cathy Pareto, who wed Karla Arguello, her partner of 15 years. "Finally Florida recognizes us as a couple. It's just — I don't know, sweet justice." Although same-sex marriage is now reality in Florida, Attorney General Pam Bondi is still pursuing appeals at both the federal and state levels. Her position — shared by former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, now considering a Republican run for president — has been that marriage should be defined by each state.

### Baby Snatched From Shooting Found

LONG BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Detectives trying to determine who abducted a 3-week-old infant after shooting her parents and uncle at a Southern California home have few clues and are asking for the public's help, officials said Monday. The baby, a 10-pound girl named Eliza Delacruz, was found dead Sunday in a trash bin in Imperial Beach, about 120 miles south of Long Beach, where her relatives were shot the day before. A transient discovered the infant's body at a strip mall in the city that borders Mexico, raising the possibility that the assailant crossed or hoped to cross the border. Mourners erected a makeshift memorial of candles and flowers outside a pizza shop at the mall. Long Beach detectives believe the family was targeted for some reason but do not yet know the motive, police spokeswoman Marlene Arrona said. They would say only that they are looking for a male suspect who is either black or Hispanic. The Long Beach residence showed no sign of forced entry, and nothing was taken, homicide Lt. Lloyd Cox told the *Long Beach Press-Telegram* on Sunday.

# Chill, Snow, Rain Sweep Across Much Of Nation

BY DON BABWIN  
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CHICAGO — A year after a brutal cold spell was blamed on something called the polar vortex — which was treated like a northern invasion by the media and as a conquering hero by children impressed by its power to close schools — this week's chill is little more than what meteorologists like to call winter. Here are some questions — and answers — about the weather:

#### Q: WHAT'S THE FORECAST?

A: The Midwest will see the tail end of a storm that could dump as much as 6 inches of snow on Chicago by early Tuesday. That city, which awoke to sub-zero temperatures Monday, is expected to warm to a high of 16 degrees Tuesday before temperatures plummet to as low as 10 degrees below zero Wednesday morning and no higher than 5 degrees the rest of the day.

The temperatures pale in comparison to those experienced in North Dakota and Minnesota, where wind chills of between negative 25 and negative 50 degrees hit Monday morning.

Rainy New York City will also be struck by the cold come Thursday and "will be lucky if it hits 20" with lows near 10 degrees, according to Michael Musher with the National Weather Service's Weather Prediction Center.

It will be unusually cold in Atlanta on Thursday, when temperatures are forecast to dip into the lower teens, before scrambling up to the lower 20s on Friday.

In the West, a stream of Pacific moisture that dropped as much as 7 inches of rain along the Washington coast is expected to give way to clear skies. Flooding washed out foundations of a few houses and forced the



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Commuters brace for the cold Monday as they wait for the bus on Adams and Canal streets in Chicago.

evacuation of about 60 nursing home residents in Hoquiam in western Washington. Some rivers are already flooding or are expected to reach flood stage by Tuesday.

#### Q: WHAT'S CAUSING THE TEMPERATURE DROP?

A: The jet stream is dipping, meaning cold air from Canada and other northern areas is plummeting into the eastern two-thirds of the United States.

#### Q: IS IT THE POLAR VORTEX?

A: The phrase took on a life of its own last year, becoming wildly popular on television news and in social media, and serving as fodder for late night comedians, not to mention Rush Limbaugh, who suggested it was an invention of liberals making their case in the debate over global warming. "We've been told to go around that term," said Musher, chuckling.

The answer is yes and no. Yes, because as Musher noted, the cold air is coming

from near the North Pole. But no, because the system itself that came all the way down into the United States has so far stayed in its normal location far to the north of the U.S. border. Meteorologists say it's simply winter.

#### Q: HOW CAN PEOPLE PREPARE?

A: Officials in the coldest areas urged residents to bundle up to guard against hypothermia and exercise caution while driving.

In the North Dakota city of Belcourt, the temperature was recorded at minus-48, with the wind chill. That degree of cold can cause frostbite to exposed skin within a matter of minutes, but "up here, where we're at, we're used to it," said Jake McCloud, assistant manager of the Utter Stop convenience store in Belcourt. "We don't get too many (customers) who complain."

In Montana, snow and freezing rain triggered highway accidents, school closures and avalanche

warnings. One to 2 feet of snow had fallen by Monday morning in the Whitefish and Kalispell areas.

"We're definitely concerned for travelers out there, people on the roadways when conditions are fine one moment, then visibility drops," said Paul Nutter with the National Weather Service in Great Falls, Montana.

#### Q: WHAT'S NEXT?

A: Temperatures are expected to be lower than normal for days but could rise a bit by the end of the week.

"We have cold temperatures, but it's not like it never happened before," said Bob Oravec, a meteorologist with the Weather Prediction Center in College Park, Maryland. "It's typical for an Arctic outbreak."

Associated Press writers Blake Nicholson in Bismarck, N.D., and Matthew Brown in Billings, Mont., contributed to this report.

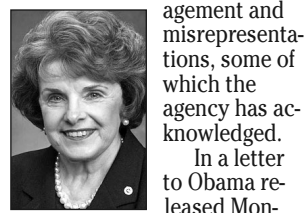
## Feinstein Urges Changes To Avoid Repeat Of CIA Torture

BY KEN DILANIAN  
AP Intelligence Writer

WASHINGTON — The outgoing chairman of the Senate intelligence committee is urging a series of policy and legislative changes to ensure that the U.S. government never again tortures detainees, even as polls show that a majority of Americans believe harsh CIA interrogations after 9/11 were justified.

Democratic Sen. Dianne Feinstein of California presided over a five-year investigation that resulted in last month's release of parts of a report that harshly described the CIA practice of torture against terror detainees after the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks. The 525-page executive summary cited the CIA's own documents in finding that the agency's interrogation program was more brutal than previously understood and failed to produce unique intelligence that couldn't have been obtained through traditional methods.

President Barack Obama has called the practices torture, something former CIA officials dispute. The executive summary of the Senate report, written by Feinstein staff members, documents CIA misman-



Feinstein

agement and misrepresentations, some of which the agency has acknowledged. In a letter to Obama released Monday, Feinstein outlined a series of recommendations "intended to make sure that the United States never again engages in actions that you have acknowledged were torture." The documented shortcomings in the CIA's decade-old interrogation program "should prompt additional oversight and better sharing of information for all covert action and significant intelligence collection programs," she said.

Feinstein said she will introduce legislation in the upcoming Congress to codify Obama's executive order banning torture and prohibiting the CIA from detaining prisoners. Her office did not immediately respond to a question about why she waited until now to do so, when the Democrats have lost control of the Senate to Republicans and such legislation would face long odds.

## Weather

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linger into Wednesday, with low temperatures early that day even colder than they were on Monday morning.

"If you don't have to travel for the next few days, I wouldn't," said Mike Gillispie, a weather service meteorologist in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. "Road conditions are going to be deteriorating very rapidly. If you don't have to be out and about, it's a good time to stay indoors."

Fast-moving systems with snow, wind and cold that push into the region from the Canadian Rockies are commonly known as Alberta clippers. A series of them swept

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