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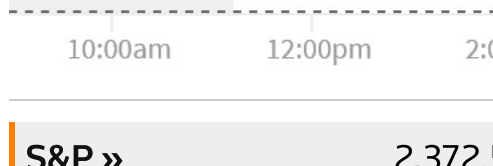
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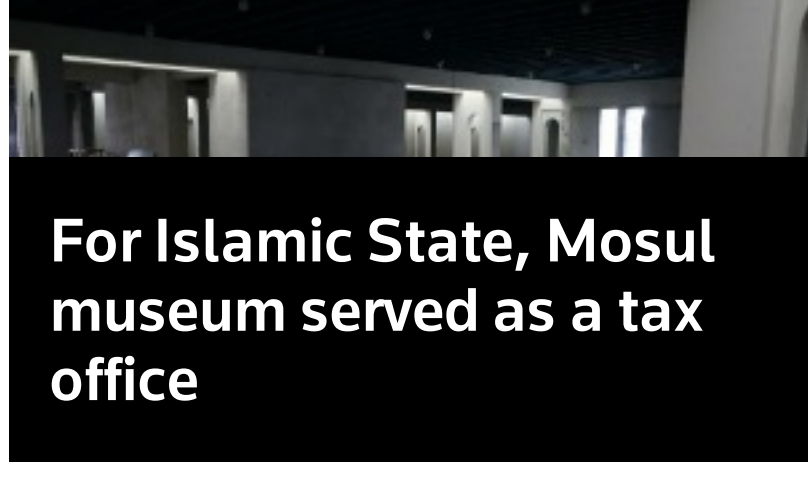


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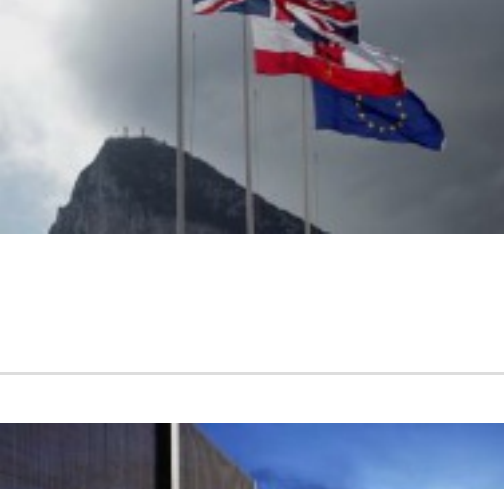
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Senator talks all night as Democrats fight Trump court nominee

A Democratic senator delivered a 15-1/2-hour, all-night speech denouncing President Donald Trump's U.S. Supreme Court nominee on Wednesday, joining an effort to block Senate confirmation of Neil Gorsuch in a heated political showdown with Republicans.

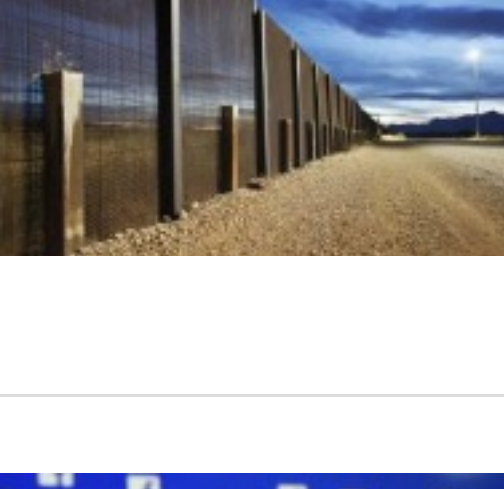
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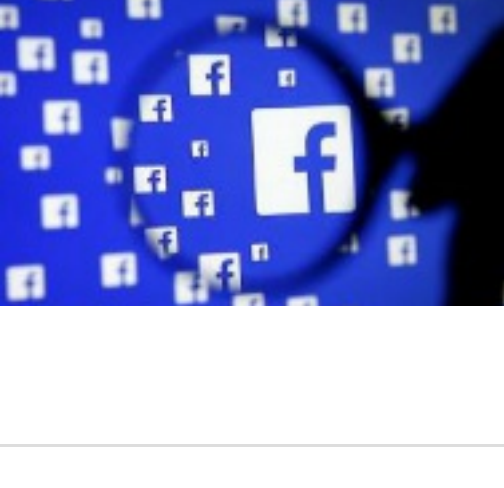
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Illegal migration at U.S. border at lowest point in 17 years: Kelly

U.S. Homeland Security Secretary John Kelly told a Senate panel on Wednesday that apprehensions of undocumented immigrants along the U.S.-Mexico border was below 17,000 in March, marking the least migration since at least 2000.

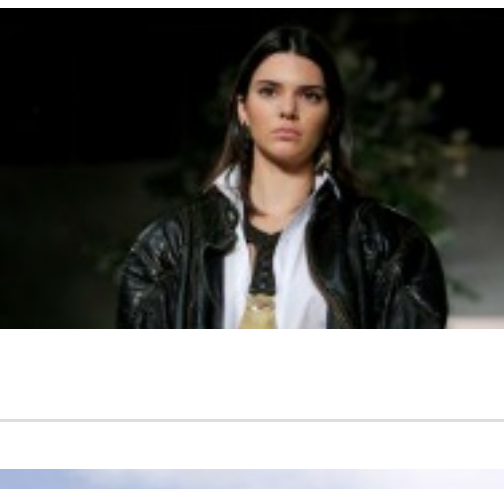
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Facebook to use photo-matching to block repeat 'revenge porn'

Facebook Inc is adding tools on Wednesday to make it easier for users to report so-called "revenge porn" and to automatically prevent the images from being shared again once they have been banned, the company said.

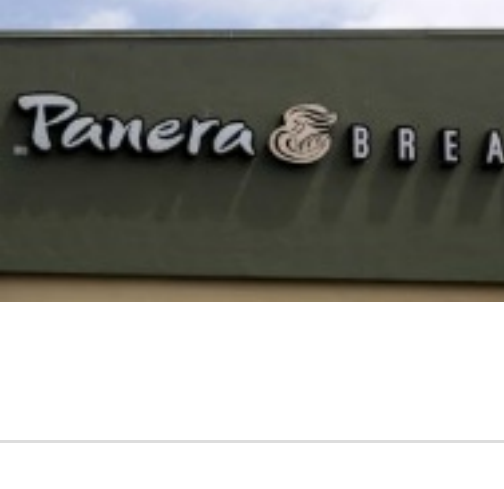
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Pepsi draws outrage for ad depicting Kendall Jenner at protest

Pepsi's new ad featuring Kendall Jenner prompted Twitter users to howl outrage on Wednesday, with civil-rights advocates saying it trivialized recent street unrest across the United States.

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Krispy Kreme-owner JAB to buy bakery chain Panera Bread

JAB Holdings, the owner of Caribou Coffee and Krispy Kreme Doughnuts, said on Wednesday it would buy bakery chain Panera Bread Co for \$7.2 billion, as it expands its coffee and breakfast empire through the biggest-ever U.S. restaurant deal.

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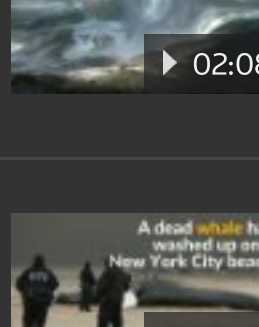


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Gorsuch to wield pivotal vote on Supreme Court

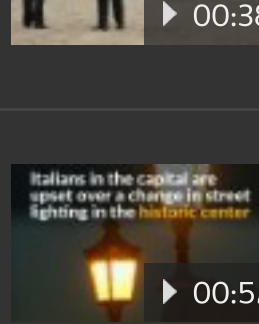
Supreme Court nominee Neil Gorsuch looks likely to squeak through the Senate this week, and will be joining the Supreme Court in the midst of a very busy session where his conservative-leaning votes could make all the difference.

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