**RTV 320 EXERCISE – EDITING WIRE COPY**

*Edit the two AP newsminutes below to four stories and between 170-180 words each. It is important that the stories be complete, as far as they go; i.e., that they do not leave the listener wondering what the story is about. Leave out the datelines (WASHINGTON [AP]). Correct any broadcast style errors that you find.*

AP-11th NewsMinute

WASHINGTON (AP) \_ A spokesman for the U.S. attorney's office in Washington, D.C., says the Libyan militant charged in the 2012 Benghazi attacks is in federal law enforcement custody and there is heightened security at the federal courthouse in Washington. Ahmed Abu Khattala (hah-TAH'-lah) faces criminal charges in the deaths of the U.S. ambassador to Libya and three other Americans. He was captured two weeks ago and has been held aboard a Navy ship that brought him to the United States.

BAGHDAD (AP) \_ Iraqi military officials say the army is back on the offensive against Sunni militants who have seized control of much of northern and western Iraq in recent weeks. Troops backed by helicopter gunships have launched an operation today aimed at dislodging Sunni militants from the northern city of Tikrit. The military also has carried out three airstrikes on the insurgent held city of Mosul.

MOSCOW (AP) \_ Russia's foreign minister is accusing the United States of encouraging Ukraine to challenge Moscow. Speaking in televised remarks, Sergey Lavrov says Washington is pushing ``the Ukrainian leadership toward a confrontational path'' and chances for settling the Ukrainian crisis would have been higher if it only depended on Russia and Europe.

DETROIT (AP) \_ The federal road safety agency is investigating complaints that a trim panel in the Nissan Versa can trap a driver's foot, causing unwanted acceleration. The probe covers about 360,000 Nissan Versa and Versa Note subcompacts from the 2012 through 2014 model years. There have been no reports of crashes or injuries so far.

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) \_ The federal Fish and Wildlife Service says rising lake levels are swallowing the nesting grounds of the American white pelican at an island in North Dakota. The manager of the Chase Lake National Wildlife Refuge says about 30,000 pelicans returned this year to find the island had shrunk by several acres. Biologists aren't overly worried yet. The pelicans only began nesting on the island in the early 1990s after another island was swamped.

AP-TX--1st NewsMinute

SAN DIEGO (AP) \_ The Border Patrol is rescheduling flights to bring Central American migrants from south Texas to California for processing. Customs and Border Protection announced Friday that the agency plans to transport adults and children from the Rio Grande Valley to Laredo and El Paso in Texas, and San Diego and El Centro in Southern California.

DALLAS (AP) \_ Texas Democratic hopeful Wendy Davis has torn into her Republican opponent verbally, poking fun at his frequently suing the federal government. Addressing the state Democratic Convention in Fort Worth late Friday, the candidate for governor told the delegates: ``Don't clap too much or Greg Abbott will sue you.''

DALLAS (AP) \_ Democratic lieutenant governor hopeful Leticia Van de Putte has gone on the attack, saying her tea party-backed opponent wants to bring political bickering and ``Washington D.C.-style finger pointing'' to Texas. Addressing the Texas Democratic Convention in Dallas last night, the San Antonio state senator had some of her harshest words yet for Republican state Senator Dan Patrick of Houston. She said Patrick repeatedly voted against programs to help entrepreneurs and veterans, as well as infrastructure projects backed by business groups.

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) \_ A small plane towing an advertising banner has made an emergency landing on a Texas freeway interchange after experiencing engine trouble. A Federal Aviation Administration statement says the single-engine Cessna landed in the Interstate 20-U.S. 287 interchange in Arlington in North Texas about 5 p.m. Friday. The pilot was able to walk away.