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## Dems subpoena Mueller report



**U.S. Rep. Jerrold Nadler, D-N.Y., chair of the House Judiciary Committee, speaks during a news conference Thursday in New York.** [MARY ALTAFFER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

**Calls for impeachment start to swirl in some Democratic circles**

By Lisa Mascaro  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The chairman of the House Judiciary Committee issued a subpoena Friday for special counsel Robert Mueller’s full report as Democrats intensified their investigation of President Donald Trump, but leaders stopped short of liberal demands for impeachment proceedings.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi

has insisted on a methodical, step-by-step approach to the House’s oversight of the Trump administration, and she refuses to consider impeachment without public support, including from Republicans, which seems unlikely. But in light of Mueller’s findings, Democratic leaders are under mounting pressure from the party’s rising stars, deep-pocketed donors and even a presidential contender to seize the moment as a jumping-off point for trying to remove Trump from office.

Speaking Friday in Belfast as Pelosi wrapped up a congressional visit to Ireland, she

declined to signal action beyond Congress’ role as a check and balance for the White House.

“Let me assure you that whatever the issue and challenge we face, the Congress of the United States will honor its oath of office to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States to protect our democracy,” she told reporters. “We believe that the first article — Article 1, the legislative branch — has the responsibility of oversight of our democracy, and we will exercise that.”

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**JOURNALIST LAMENTS COLUMBINE LIVES LEFT UNLIVED**

## Pompeo dismisses NKorea’s rejection

By Matthew Lee  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Mike Pompeo on Friday rejected a North Korean demand that he be replaced as President Donald Trump’s top negotiator, as the United States and Japan vowed to continue to enforce tough sanctions on North Korea until it dismantles its nuclear weapons and ballistic missile programs.

Pompeo’s refusal to step down and the joint U.S.-Japanese pledge made at a meeting of their foreign and defense ministers at the State Department threw more uncertainty over the possible resumption of stalled denuclearization talks. The talks have been at an impasse over sanctions since Trump’s second summit with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un ended without any agreement in late February, and the North has warned it may not return

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## ‘All straight-line wind’



**A power line worker with Gainesville Regional Utilities uses a special insulated pole to lift a live power line off a truck Friday after strong winds knocked down a nearby tree that tore down the lines. The truck was traveling south on Northwest 34th Street near 16th Avenue in Gainesville.** [BRAD MCCLENNY/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER]

**Storm fells trees, power lines, but Alachua County mostly unscathed**

By Cindy Swirko  
Staff writer

Many trees were toppled and power lines ripped down, but Alachua County

escaped Friday’s rapidly-moving storm without serious injuries or damage.

No tornadoes were identified by the National Weather Service, despite several people reporting them in 911 calls. But the wind was strong late Friday morning, said meteorologist Jason Hess of the weather service

office in Jacksonville.

“It was all straight-line wind — no tornadoes,” Hess said. “Those winds can be strong. There was a gust of 53 mph at 11:40 at the (Gainesville Regional) airport out of the west.”

The busy intersection of Northwest 34th Street and 16th Avenue had fallen

power lines blocking 16th Avenue and southbound 34th Street. The lines fell on a pickup truck, and the people in it had to sit tight until power crews could safely unwrap the lines.

At least one tree fell on a house in the county, but

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## Two-wave US flu season is now the longest in a decade

By Mike Stobbe  
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Three months ago, this flu season was shaping up to be short and mild in the U.S. But a surprising second viral wave

has made it the longest in 10 years.

This flu season has been officially going for 21 weeks, according to reports collected through last week and released Friday by the Centers for Disease Control

and Prevention. That makes it among the longest since the government started tracking flu season duration more than 20 years ago.

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