

Terror Suspect's Mother Apologizes To NYers

NEW YORK (AP) — The mother of a "lone wolf" accused of plotting to attack police stations and post offices with homemade bombs apologized to New Yorkers on Monday, even as questions arose about why federal authorities — who typically handle terrorism cases — declined to get involved in what city officials called a serious threat.

The mother of Jose Pimentel spoke to reporters outside her upper Manhattan home the day after her son was arraigned in state court on terrorism-related charges.

"I didn't raise my son in that way," Carmen Sosa said. "I feel bad about this situation."

She also praised the New York Police Department, saying, "I think they handled it well."

Officials with the NYPD, which conducted the undercover investigation using a confidential informant and a bugged apartment, said the department had to move quickly because Pimentel was about to test a pipe bomb made out of match heads, nails and other ingredients bought at neighborhood hardware and discount stores.

Gingrich Pushes Private Retirement Accounts

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — Republican presidential contender Newt Gingrich on Monday proposed allowing younger workers still decades away from retirement to bypass Social Security and instead choose private investment accounts that would be subject to stock market gyrations.

The former House speaker, who has risen in the polls, would allow younger workers to take their share of the payroll tax that funds Social Security and put it in a private account.

Employers would still pay their share of the tax, which would be used to pay benefits for current retirees. But it would create a funding shortfall that Gingrich brushed off.

"That gap is more than covered by the savings" that would come from giving states control of 185 social welfare programs, Gingrich told reporters after a speech that laid out broad concepts but lacked key details.

Gingrich's plan would cover the near-term deficits by giving to states responsibility for such programs as AmeriCorps volunteers, Section 8 public housing and Pell Grants for college students. He said states were better suited to administer those programs.

Tactics Questioned In Pepper Spray Incident

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Viral videos of riot police repeatedly pepper spraying a row of seated, non-violent Occupy Wall Street protesters at a California university has sparked outrage, an investigation and calls for the college chancellor's resignation.

It has also set off a debate about whether the officers were justified and how far they can go to disperse peaceful demonstrators.

While many students, lawmakers and even the university's chancellor saw the officers' actions as excessive, some experts on police tactics say depending on the circumstances, pepper spray can be a better crowd control measure than dragging protesters away or swinging at them with truncheons.

"Between verbalized commands and knock-down, drag-out fights, there's quite a bit of wiggle room," said David Klinger, a former Los Angeles Police Department officer and instructor at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. "When you've got a bunch of people who are clearly noncompliant, locking arms, it doesn't look good (on camera)."

Soon after the spraying on Friday at University of California, Davis, video recordings spread across the Internet. The footage of an officer casually spreading an orange cloud over protesters while spectators screamed in horror joined other much-discussed pepper-spray incidents, such as the 84-year-old activist hit in the face in Seattle and a Portland, Ore., woman who was sprayed in the mouth.

Egypt Cabinet Offers To Resign

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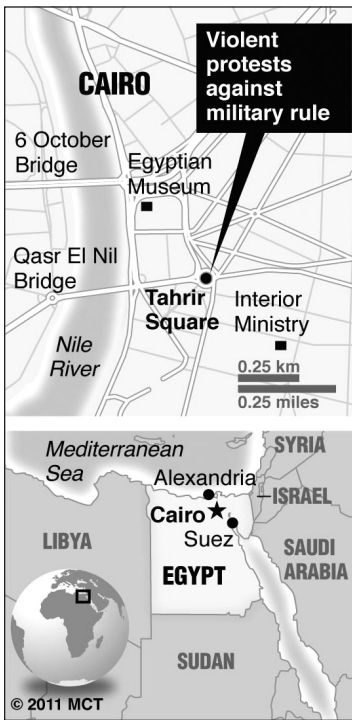
CAIRO — Egypt's civilian Cabinet offered to resign Monday after three days of violent clashes between demonstrators and security forces in Tahrir Square, but the action failed to satisfy protesters deeply frustrated with the new military rulers.

The Health Ministry and a doctor at an improvised field hospital on the square said at least 26 people have been killed and 1,750 wounded in the latest violence as activists sought to fill the streets for a "second revolution" to force out the generals who have failed to stabilize the country, salvage the economy or bring democracy.

Throughout the day, young protesters demanding the military hand over power to a civilian government fought with black-clad police, hurling stones and firebombs and throwing back the tear gas canisters being fired by police into the square, which was the epicenter of the movement that ousted authoritarian leader Hosni Mubarak.

By midnight tens of thousands of protesters were in the huge downtown square.

The clashes have deepened the disarray among Egypt's political



ranks, with the powerful Muslim Brotherhood balking at joining in the demonstrations, fearing that turmoil will disrupt elections next week that the Islamists expect to dominate.

The protests in Tahrir and elsewhere across this nation of some 85 million people have forced the

ruling military council as well as the Cabinet it backs into two concessions, but neither were significant enough to send anyone home.

The council issued an anti-graft law that bans anyone convicted of corruption from running for office or holding a government post, a move that is likely to stop senior members from the Mubarak regime from running for public office.

Hours later, the Cabinet of Prime Minister Essam Sharaf submitted its resignation to the council, a move that was widely expected given the government's perceived inefficiency and its almost complete subordination to the generals.

Protesters cheered and shouted "God is great!" when the news arrived of the Cabinet resignation offer, but they almost immediately resumed their chant of "The people want to topple the field marshal" — a reference to military ruler Field Marshal Hussein Tantawi.

"We are not clearing the square until there is a national salvation government that is representative and has full responsibility," said activist Rami Shaat, who was at the site.

The council released a statement late Monday calling for a national dialogue to "urgently study the reasons for the current crisis and ways to overcome it."

The statement, carried by Egypt's state news agency, said the military deeply regrets the loss of life and has ordered the Justice Ministry to form a committee to investigate the incidents of the past few days. The military said it ordered security forces to take measures that would protect demonstrators, who have the right to peaceful protest.

White House spokesman Jay Carney said the United States was deeply concerned about the violence and urged restraint on all sides so Egypt could proceed with a timely transition to democracy.

U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon also deplored the loss of life and called on authorities "to guarantee the protection of human rights and civil liberties for all Egyptians, including the right to peaceful protest," U.N. spokesman Martin Nesirky said.

Amnesty International harshly criticized the military rulers in a new report, saying they have "completely failed to live up to their promises to Egyptians to improve human rights."

The London-based group documented steps by the military that have fallen short of increasing human rights and in some cases have made matters worse than under Mubarak.

Penn St. Taps Ex-FBI Director For Inquiry

BY PATRICK WALTERS

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Former FBI director Louis Freeh, tapped to lead Penn State's investigation into the child sex abuse allegations against a former assistant football coach, said his inquiry will go as far back as 1975, a much longer period than a grand jury report issued earlier this month.

Freeh was named Monday to oversee the university board of trustees' internal investigation into the abuse allegations that ultimately led to the ouster of longtime football coach Joe Paterno and university President Graham Spanier.

Freeh said his goal was to conduct a compre-

hensive, fair and quick review. His team of former FBI agents, federal prosecutors and others has already begun the process of reading the grand jury report and looking at records.

"We will immediately report any evidence of criminality to law enforcement authorities," said Freeh, who has no direct connection to Penn State.

Penn State has faced criticism since announcing that its internal investigation would be led by two university trustees, Merck pharmaceutical company CEO Kenneth Frazier and state Education Secretary Ronald Tomalis.

Faculty members on Friday called for an independent investigation of how the university handled abuse allegations, and the faculty sen-

ate endorsed a resolution asking for an independent investigation.

In announcing Freeh's appointment, Frazier stressed the former FBI director's independence. Freeh will be empowered to investigate employees up to and including the board of trustees itself, Frazier said.

"No one is above scrutiny," Frazier said. "He has complete rein to follow any lead, to look into every corner of the university to get to the bottom of what happened and then to make recommendations that will help ensure that it never happens again."

Freeh said he had been assured there would be "no favoritism." He called that assurance "the main condition of my engagement."

OBITUARIES

Joan Stroup

VERMILION — Joan "Jane" "Jo" Marie Stroup, 80, of Vermillion, SD passed away on Sunday, November 13, 2011 at Sanford Vermillion Hospital.

Her service will be on Saturday, November 26, 2011 at the United Church of Christ-Congregational with Reverend Elaine Miller officiating in Vermillion at 11:00 a.m. There will be a visitation one hour prior at 10:00 a.m. Her burial will take place at a later date. Following the service, the family would like to extend an invitation to everyone for a time of fellowship and lunch to celebrate Joan's life.

Visitation will be held at Kober Funeral Home in Vermillion on Friday, November 25, 2011 from 6:00-7:00 p.m., with a prayer service and video tribute to begin at 7:00 p.m.

Joan was born on February 14, 1931 in Cripple Creek, CO to Earl and Lillian (Anderson) Robush. She graduated from Cripple Creek High School in 1949, and went on to earn a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Colorado State College in Greeley in 1953. Joan married Fred Stroup, the love of her life, on October 16, 1953 at her parents' El Paso Mine home in Cripple Creek. They had five daughters. Later they were blessed with three wonderful son-in-laws, and six beautiful grandchildren.

After graduation, she taught second grade in Colorado Springs. She also taught in Brookings, was a substitute teacher in Vermillion, and taught in Hosmer, SD. She was a teacher at the Pearl Creek Colony in Iroquois, SD for 17 years. Joan enjoyed a long teaching career until she retired. The most important job she loved with her whole heart

Herman Schwarz

Herman Schwarz, age 89, of Yankton, South Dakota, passed away on Friday, November 18, 2011 at the Tyndall Good Samaritan Center in Tyndall, South Dakota.

Funeral services are 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 23, 2011 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Yankton with Reverend David Gunderson officiating. Burial will be in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Yankton with military honors by the Ernest-Bowyer VFW Post No. 791.

Visitation is from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m. Visitation resumes one hour prior to the funeral at the church.

Pallbearers are Tim Glynn, Patrick Knecht, Matthew Glynn, William Pelzel, Andrew McColley, Sean McColley and Ajay McColley.

Herman George Schwarz was born July 2, 1922 in Yankton County to Paul and Minnie (Lau) Schwarz. He received his educa-

tion in Yankton County where he met the first love of his life, Mary Cwach. On December 28, 1944, Mary and Herman were joined in marriage at St. John's Lutheran Church in Yankton. Shortly after, Herman went and protected our nation by enlisting to serve in the Korean War as a Medic Transporter with the Fifth grade of the 382 General Hospital. He wrote home to his wife and family frequently and was honorably discharged on February 4, 1947. After returning home, Herman and Mary moved to the family farm where he pursued his passion of farming. On August 5, 1948, they were blessed with their first daughter, Jeanette Renae, and then in 1965, they adopted 2 children, Lance and Debra.

Herman enjoyed tinkering on machines, cars, or anything with an engine. He also took pleasure in being a bus driver for many

years with the Yankton School District, and having the opportunity to get to know the kids. Herman was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, the Farmers Union, Antique Auto Association and the Yankton VFW Post No. 791.

On November 27, 1998 he married Lorine Culp (Schoenfelder) in Yankton at St. John's Lutheran Church. Not only did he gain a loving wife, but someone who never left his side through it all. Herman is known for his love of ice cream with fruit topping (Vanilla was his favorite) and pie (Cherry was his favorite). In his older years, Herman enjoyed being with family, watching his grandchildren and great grandchildren in their activities whether it be football, basketball, skiing, dancing, swimming or simply playing.

Survivors include his wife, Lorine of Yankton, 2 daughters, Jeanette (Paul) Gravidahl of Sisseton SD and Debra (Lynn) McColley of Arizona; 7 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren. Herman is also survived by step-children: Sharon



Schwarz

sewing prom dresses, suits, clothing, and curtains. She loved reading poetry and novels. She also enjoyed playing cards with her card group. Joan loved the many furry friends that have been part of her life. She spent many an hour with her present

companion, "Sammi", her toy poodle, playing ball and keeping her company. She enjoyed her yearly family vacations to Colorado to see her beloved family. She loved nurturing and watching her grandchildren grow. She was so proud of each of them.

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Herman was preceded in death by his first wife, Mary in 1988; son, Lance in 1980; parents, Paul and Minnie Schwarz; brother, Bill Schwarz; and sister, Gertrude Harts.

To send an online sympathy message, please visit wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

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Joan is survived by her daughters Jeanne (Scott) Jepsen

of Meckling, SD, Barbara (Doug) Martin of Dublin, OH, Nancy Stroup of Vermillion, Patty Stroup of Fort Collins, CO and Julie (Todd) King of Huron, SD; grandchildren Christopher Martin of Singapore (NYU), Garrett Jepsen of Grand Forks, ND (UND), Shannon Jepsen of Brookings, SD (SDSU) and Kelsey, Cassidee and Kaitlyn King of Huron, SD; sisters Carol Robush (James) Robinson of Victor, CO and Marjorie Robush (Charles) Boughton of Grand Junction, CO; brother-in-laws LeRoy Nagel of Williamsburg, CO, Lee (Von) Stroup of Salem, SD and Mel (Evelyn) Stroup of Estelline, SD; and sister-in-law Beverly Stroup (Dick) Johnson of Los Angeles, CA; many wonderful nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her husband Fred Stroup; parents Earl and Lillian Robush; sisters Betty June Robush and Joyce Robush Nagel; father-in-law and mother-in-law Archie and Eva Stroup; aunt Maggie Robush Snare; brother-in-law Keith Stroup; and sister-in-law Betty Stroup.

Condolences may be posted online at www.koberfuneralhome.com.

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