

## U.S. Braces For More Violent Fallout From Film

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Obama administration was caught by surprise by the ferocity of the Sept. 11 attack against the U.S. Consulate in Benghazi, Libya, that killed the ambassador and three other Americans. Now it is bracing for another potential eruption of violent demonstrations in parts of the Muslim world after Friday's weekly prayers — traditionally a time of protest in the Middle East and North Africa.

Angry demonstrations over an anti-Islam video already have occurred in Egypt and Yemen, and officials theorize that well-armed Libyan extremists hijacked a similar protest in Benghazi, where several Libyan security guards also were killed. The U.S. put all of its diplomatic missions overseas on high alert, and Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton delivered an explicit denunciation of the video as the administration sought to pre-empt further turmoil at its embassies and consulates.

"The United States government had absolutely nothing to do with this video," she said before a meeting with the foreign minister of Morocco at the State Department. "We absolutely reject its content and message."

"To us, to me personally, this video is disgusting and reprehensible," Clinton said. "It appears to have a deeply cynical purpose: to denigrate a great religion and to provoke rage."

U.S. officials said they suspect that the attack at the Benghazi consulate, which had also been the target of an unsuccessful attack in June, may have been only tangentially related to the film.

## Obama: Egypt Not U.S. Ally, Nor An Enemy

WASHINGTON (AP) — With anti-U.S. protests spreading in the Arab world, President Barack Obama says the U.S. would not consider Egypt an ally, "but we don't consider them an enemy."

Obama said in an interview with the Spanish-language network Telemundo that Egypt is a "new government that is trying to find its way." And he warned that if the Egyptian government takes actions showing "they're not taking responsibility," then it would "be a real big problem."

Administration officials later said the president was not trying to downgrade the relationship between the U.S. and Egypt. But the remark reflected some U.S. frustration that Egyptian President Mohammed Morsi had not been vigorous enough in his response to a breach Tuesday of the U.S. embassy in Cairo by demonstrators protesting an anti-Muslim film.

Those protests continued to spread, with demonstrators storming the U.S. Embassy compound in Yemen's capital, Sanaa on Thursday. They were on the embassy's grounds but did not enter the building housing the offices. Demonstrators removed the embassy's sign on the outer wall and set tires ablaze. Once inside the compound, they brought down the U.S. flag and burned it.

The protest in Yemen came after the breach of the embassy in Cairo and after an armed assault on the U.S. Consulate in Benghazi, Libya, which killed the U.S. ambassador, Chris Stevens, and three other Americans.

## NYC Bans Supersized Sodas At Restaurants

NEW YORK (AP) — New York City cracked down on the sale of supersized sodas and other sugary drinks Thursday in what was celebrated by some as a groundbreaking attempt to curb obesity but condemned by others as a blatant intrusion into people's lives by a busybody mayor.

Public health experts around the nation — and the restaurant and soft-drink industry — will be watching closely to see how it goes over among New Yorkers, a famously disputatious bunch. Barring any court action, the measure will take effect in March.

The regulations, approved easily by the city Board of Health, apply to any establishment with a food-service license, including fast-food places, delis, movie and Broadway theaters, the concession stands at Yankee Stadium and the pizzerias of Little Italy. They will be barred from serving sugary beverages in cups or bottles larger than 16 ounces.

No other U.S. city has gone so far as to restrict portion sizes at restaurants to fight weight gain.

"We cannot continue to have our kids come down with diabetes at age 6," said Mayor Michael Bloomberg.

# Fed Unveils Steps To Aid Economy

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WASHINGTON — The Federal Reserve unleashed a series of bold and open-ended steps Thursday designed to stimulate the economy by boosting the stock market and making it cheaper for people to borrow and spend.

The Fed said it will spend \$40 billion a month to buy mortgage bonds for as long as it deems necessary to make home buying more affordable. It plans to keep short-term interest rates at record lows through mid-2015 — six months longer than previously planned. And it's ready to try other stimulative measures if hiring doesn't pick up.

"The idea is to quicken the recovery," Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke said at a news conference Thursday. But he made clear he thinks the economy will need the Fed's intervention even after the recovery strengthens.

Stock prices rose steadily after the Fed's announcement. The Dow Jones industrial average climbed more than 200 points by midafternoon Eastern time.

The Fed's policy committee announced the aggressive actions after a two-day meeting. Its moves pointed to how sluggish the U.S. and global economies remain more than three years after the Great Recession ended.

The actions come a week after the Euro-

pean Central Bank announced its most ambitious plan yet to ease Europe's financial crisis by buying unlimited amounts of government bonds to help countries manage their debts.

With less than eight weeks left until Election Day, the economy remains the top issue on most voters' minds. Many Republicans have been critical of the Fed's continued efforts to drive interest rates lower, saying they fear it could ignite inflation.

Asked at his news conference whether the Fed considered the impact of its actions on the presidential election, Bernanke said: "We make our decisions based entirely on the state of the economy... We just don't take those factors into account."

The Fed on Thursday also lowered its outlook for economic growth this year, though it's more optimistic about the next two years. It expects growth to be no stronger than 2 percent this year. That's down from its forecast of 2.4 percent in June.

It still thinks the unemployment rate won't fall below 8 percent this year. The rate is now 8.1 percent. It estimates it will fall as low as 7.6 percent next year and 6.7 percent in 2014. It also expects inflation to remain at or below 2 percent for three years.

At his news conference, Bernanke made clear that higher stock prices are among the Fed's goals in buying bonds. Bernanke noted that stock gains increase Americans' wealth

and typically lead individuals and businesses to spend and invest more.

But some economists said they thought the benefit to the economy would be slight.

"We doubt it will be enough to get the economy on the right track," said Paul Ashworth, an economist at Capital Economics. "It's only a matter of time before speculation begins as to when the Fed will raise its purchases from \$40 billion a month."

The statement was approved 11-1. The lone dissenter was Richmond Fed President Jeffrey Lacker, who worries about igniting inflation.

The Fed's bond purchases have been intended to force down long-term rates to spur lending. The Fed has previously bought \$2 trillion in Treasury bonds and mortgage-backed securities since the 2008 financial crisis.

The new purchases, which will start Friday, amount to less per month than either of its first two bond programs. But by committing to buying bonds indefinitely, the Fed is seeking to assure investors and consumers that borrowing will remain cheap far into the future.

"In many ways, today's actions represent the beginning of a new phase in Bernanke's efforts to get the economy moving again," said Michael Feroli, an economist at JPMorgan Chase Bank.

## Romney Returns To Criticizing Obama On Economy

BY DAVID ESPO AND BEN FELLER  
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FAIRFAX, Va. — Republican Mitt Romney accused President Barack Obama on Thursday of "failing American workers" by ignoring Chinese trade violations, and seized on new Federal Reserve attempts to boost the economy as proof the administration's policies are not working.

Obama campaigned as commander in chief after the violent deaths of four U.S. officials at a diplomatic post in Libya. "No act of terror will go unpunished ... no act of violence shakes the resolve of the United States of America," he said.

The president spoke in Colorado and Romney in Virginia with less than eight weeks remaining in a close campaign for the White House in tough economic times. The two states are among a handful likely to settle the race, and most polls rate Obama a shaky favorite.

With campaign costs mounting, Romney and Obama competed for the most innovative fundraising appeal.

The Republican challenger's campaign urged people in an email to make a \$15 donation for a chance to join "Mitt on board the campaign plane for an excit-



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**Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney campaigns at Van Dyck Park, Thursday, September 13, 2012 in Fairfax, Virginia. Romney criticized President Barack Obama's handling of foreign policy on Thursday after four Americans were killed in Libya, saying the United States seems at the mercy of world events.**

ing day on the campaign trail — at 30,000 feet!"

Singer and actress Beyonce Knowles and hip-hop-artist-hubby Jay Z countered for the president. "Jay and I will be meeting up with President Obama for an evening in NYC sometime soon," she wrote. "And we want you to be there." As with a day aboard Romney's chartered jet, a donation

was requested for a chance to win.

Only the fine print of both fundraising appeals made clear that no contribution was necessary to win.

Romney's focus on the economy followed a one-day campaign detour into a foreign-policy thicket that left him bruised and his quarry largely unscathed. He

made little mention during the day of the events in Egypt and Libya that he had cited Tuesday as evidence of national security weakness on the president's part.

The issue intruded, though, when a heckler at Romney's rally yelled out, "Why are you politicizing Libya?" The crowd responded with chants of "U-S-A" and supporters tried to place a Romney/Ryan placard in front of the heckler's face.

"We're going to crack down on China," the former Massachusetts governor vowed in an appearance in the Virginia suburbs around Washington, D.C. He spoke after his campaign unveiled a television commercial claiming that China has outpaced the United States in new manufacturing jobs since the president took office. "Seven times Obama could have stopped China's cheating. Seven times he refused," it says.

The president pushed back. White House spokesman Jay Carney told reporters that all the actions the administration has initiated at the World Trade Organization to rein in China have been successful. The president's campaign said Obama has brought as many cases challenging China trade policies in 3 1/2 years as former President George W. Bush did in eight.

## OBITUARIES

### Wilmer Giedd

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Monday, September 17, 2012 at the Trinity Presbyterian Church in Avon, with burial in the church cemetery, rural Avon. Visitation will be Sunday from 2-5 p.m. at the Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home in Avon.



Giedd

Wilmer J. Giedd was born in a sod house on the family farm northeast of Avon on September 29, 1921, the son of John and Emma (Berndt) Giedd. He died September 12, 2012 at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls. Wilmer attained the age of 90 years, 11 months and 14 days.

Wilmer was raised on the farm and attended the Giedd school through the eighth grade. He stayed on the farm and helped his dad with farming.

Wilmer was united in marriage to Arline Vogel at Yankton on November 1, 1948. To this union four children were born. He farmed on the family farm northeast of Avon.

Wilmer will be remembered for his enjoyment of farming and going to auction sales. He bought antique furniture, which he spent many hours on refinishing, repairing and selling to buyers from many different states. He also liked his Custard Glass and Roseville Pottery. Wilmer enjoyed his time with friends at Northvue for coffee. He especially enjoyed watching his grandchildren and great grandchildren as they grew up.

Thankful for having shared his life are his three children: Michael and wife Sharon Giedd of Avon; Tamara Jo and husband Harry Newhard of Tripp; and Kathleen Ann and husband David Wudel of Tripp; six grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; sister, Dorothy Burfeindt of Avon; and several nieces and nephews.

Wilmer preceded in death by his wife, Arline on February 23, 2012; infant daughter, Kristie Kara Giedd, in 1965; parents; sister, Virginia and brother, Earl.

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### Wilma Slaba

Geddes — Wilma Slaba, 79, died at Lake Andes Health Care Center in Lake Andes, SD on Wednesday, September 12, 2012. Funeral service will be Saturday, September 15, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. at United Methodist Church in Geddes with burial following in St. Ann's Catholic Cemetery in Geddes. Visitation will be Friday, September 14, 2012 from 5 - 7 p.m. at Koehn Bros. Funeral Chapel in Geddes with the family present and a prayer service at 7 p.m.



Slaba

Wilma was born March 1, 1933 in Geddes, SD. She attended Geddes Public School for Grade and High School. After graduating High School Wilma attended Nettleton Business College for 1 year. She married Charles Slaba December 27, 1952. They began farming near Geddes, SD and had 2 children, Danny and wife Lori of Renner, SD and Debra Gran and husband Jerry of LeMars, IA. She worked at Wagner State Bank, Lake Andes State Bank, Geddes State Bank, and 20 years for the Geddes Public School system. Wilma enjoyed crocheting, crafts, dancing, and visiting with her many friends and relatives. She especially enjoyed spoiling her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was a member of the United Methodist church, American Legion Auxiliary, and Red Haters. She will be missed by all. She died at Lake Andes Health Care Center in Lake Andes, SD on Wednesday, September 12, 2012 at the age of 79.

She is survived by her husband, Charles of Geddes, 2 children, Danny Slaba of Renner, SD and Debra Gran of LeMars, IA, 3 grandchildren, Robyn (Gran) Arens and husband, Chris and their children, Mataya and Maddox of Sioux Falls, SD, Tony Slaba and wife, Jessica and their children, Nicholas and Caroline of Suffolk, VA, and Jayme Gran of Altoona, IA. And many loved neices and nephews. Two brothers, Roy Teply and wife, Marilyn of Mesa, AZ and Leo Teply and special friend, DeLores Clocker of Spencer, NE, and sister, Chuck Henderson and husband, Chuck of Littleton, CO. She was preceded in death by

her parents, Louis and Rosie Teply of Geddes, SD, brother, Arthur Teply (infancy) of Geddes, SD, two sisters, Virginia and Mildred and grandson, Jason Slaba of Sioux Falls, SD, and her in-laws, Charles and Rose (Tucek) Slaba. We would like to thank the Lake Andes Healthcare Center for the wonderful care and attention that Wilma received.

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### Shirley Berry

Shirley Berry, 80, Mitchell, died Thursday, September 13, 2012 at her home under hospice care.

Funeral services will be 11:00 am Monday, September 17 at the First United Methodist Church, Mitchell. Burial will be in the Bluff View Cemetery, Vermillion. Visitation will be from 6-8:00 pm Sunday with a prayer service at 7:00 pm at the Bittner Funeral Chapel.



Berry

Helen Shirley Macy was born on Jan 24, 1932 on a homestead farm near Vermillion, SD, in the downstairs unheated bedroom during a cold winter. Her parents, Benjamin Harrison and Alice Lenore Macy, were delighted to welcome a girl to join their two boys, Elwood and Lowell. In 1938, her mother died and Shirley went to live at her aunt's home in Vermillion. She attended Vermillion public schools until she moved back to the farm in 1942. She started working Saturdays at Newberrys for 25 cents an hour in 1944 while in the 7th grade. She attended country school with outside biffies and no central heat, graduating from country school in 1946 and then attending Vermillion

High School graduating in 1950. She played the French horn (first chair) and was in marching band and a state officer in Methodist Youth Fellowship (MYF). She graduated Cum Laude from the University of South Dakota with an elementary education degree. She was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Shirley married Jack Berry in 1953 in Vermillion. She taught school in Vermillion and in California while Jack attended medical school and residency training through the service. They lived in Vermillion SD, Los Angeles CA, St Paul MN, Ellsworth Air Force Base in SD, Albert Lea MN before settling in Mitchell, SD in 1961. Three children were born to their marriage: Scott Harrison Berry, Spencer Douglas Berry, and Lisa Lenore Berry. Shirley LOVED being a Mom and later a grandmother and great grandmother. They were married 40 years. Following the divorce, a high school boyfriend, Don Boyd, reentered her life and became a regular companion and provided much joy and laughter to the end of her life.

Shirley loved God and enjoyed serving God through church and other community organizations. She had a special gift of hospitality and entertaining with attention to detail that many were able to enjoy whether she used it for family gatherings, friends, clubs and organizations, and whenever called upon to serve. Shirley loved attending her kid's and grandkid's activities and also DWU and MHS games. She was a member and served at the United Methodist church. She enjoyed fellowship in organizations and clubs - Knit Wits, PEO (50 year member), ceramics, Round Table, 20th Century Study club, Methodist Hospital Auxiliary (bazaar annually), coffee at Sunshine, and birthday club. She was a Republican Party

volunteer and always kept up on politics. She enjoyed learning and study. Shirley also won many awards through Toastmasters and often gave programs for the clubs she belonged to. She ran a small specialty sewing shop, The Rainbow Shop, for many years.

Shirley enjoyed family vacations to Florida, California, and annual visit to northern Minnesota. She also enjoyed "tramping in the hills" near her cabin. She loved and cared for several dogs and cats through the years.

Health issues provided many challenges in later years but she was content being home bound with a variety of dedicated caregivers and loved the regular visits of friends and family. She was entertained by squirrels and birds in her yard and beauty of her garden. She passed away on Thursday Sept 13 at her home.

Shirley is survived by her children: Dr. Scott (Pam) Berry of Aberdeen, SD, Dr. Spencer (Marilyn Wiblemo) Berry of Fargo, ND, Lisa (Dr Brad) Paulson of Sioux Falls, SD; Grandchildren: TJ Berry, Tina (Chris) Spieker, Andrew (Jeanny) Berry, and Robert Berry; Matthew (Stephanie) Berry, Elizabeth (Jareb) Raan, Collin (Julie) Berry, and Ryan Berry; Dan, Nate, and Scott Paulson; Great grandchildren Amira, Gabriel, Gunnar, Michael, and Ezekiel Berry; Daxton, Alexa, and Farrah Raan, Jack and Corbin Spieker; her brother Lowell (Jill) Macy of Vermillion, sister in law Lenette Macy of Sioux Falls and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents Harry and Lenore Macy, and her brother, Elwood Macy.

Memorial: Ingathering for local and regional hunger (www.mitchell-func.org) or Mitchell Lovefeast.

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### Timothy Schlaefli

Timothy Schlaefli, age 24 of Yankton, SD, our beloved son and brother, passed away on Wednesday, September 12, 2012 as a result of a car accident in Centerville, IN. Arrangements are pending under the care of the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home and Crematory, Yankton, SD.

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to family and friends for cards, gifts and birthday greetings that I received for my 80th birthday. You surely made my day.

God Bless,  
Marilyn Obr

### IN REMEMBRANCE

#### Bonnie Johnson

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