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Poland:

Workers block Warsaw's main intersection in protest

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WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Bus drivers and truckers blocked Warsaw's biggest intersection for the second day yesterday in a showdown with the government over meat ration cuts. More than 100,000 workers in two other cities shut factories and demanded more food.

Premier Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski appointed an "anti-crisis staff" of civilian and military officials empowered to make swift decisions on distributing food and raw materials and "ensure the necessary means for the population to survive the supply crisis," the government said.

Some people brought sandwiches, apples and soup to the Warsaw demonstration and others put flowers on bus windshields. Two cabaret comedians told political jokes from atop a flatbed truck under blaring, sunny skies.

The truck was poked by a giant billboard advertising "Man Of Iron," the launch of last summer's strike wave that faltered Solidarity, the first union in the Soviet-bloc free of Communist Party control.

"As one can see, the Solidarity leadership does not intend to stop the practices which cause a further weakening of the Polish economy and an increase in political tensions of the country," government spokesman Jozef Bardecki said on national television.

As the Warsaw protesters idled away the hours at the police line blocking their route, warning strikes took place in Czestochowa and Radomsko, industrial cities to the southwest. Workers held a protest march and meeting in Kalisz, 120 miles west of the capital.

Factory sirens opened and closed the one-hour strikes in Czestochowa, where 100,000 workers put down their tools, and in Radomsko, where 15,000 followed suit.

The workers in Czestochowa idled 300 factories to protest local shortages of food, cigarettes and

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A left turn and a short drive would have taken the convoy past party headquarters where taxi

drivers and other truckers staged a noisy procession Monday.

The standoff at the intersection of Jerusalem Avenue and Marszalkowska Street — Warsaw's main crossroads — was to end today with a two-hour strike by the 950,000 members of the Warsaw branch of Solidarity.

The strike today is over the same issues that prompted protests across Poland for the past two weeks: a one-pound cut in the 7.7-pound monthly meat ration of every Pole, chronic food shortages and rampant price hikes.

The government, which announced an emergency program to deal with the food crisis Sunday, says it does not have enough hard currency to buy imported meat to fulfill demand.

Both the government and Solidarity, which adjourned talks until tomorrow, appeared adamant not to back down from the standoff.

"It was all too easy to halt here," one burly bus driver said. "Now the whole thing has assumed face-saving and face-losing proportions."

"You are laughing, but this is not a laughing matter," cautioned another. "I'm nervous because nobody knows what will happen tomorrow. Soviet ships are on maneuvers in the Baltic, and there are fears that if the protests in Poland grow too large, the Kremlin may intervene to crush the labor ferment in its neighboring Warsaw Pact ally."

"The Soviets appear to be making plans for a large amphibious exercise in the Baltic area," State Department spokesman Ben Welles told reporters in Washington. "At this time, we see no signs it relates to Poland. We are watching it carefully."

He noted that the Soviets' largest amphibious ship, the 13,000-ton Ivan Smysl, was in the Baltic.

"There has been a significant increase over the past several weeks in amphibious lift" with the Soviet naval forces in that area, Welles said.

Strike could cause future problems

By H. JOSEF HELMS
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WASHINGTON (AP) — The government hopes its threat of dismissal will force air traffic controllers back to work, but if that fails the nation's air traffic could be disrupted for a year or more while new controllers are trained.

And while the airline industry vigorously supports President Reagan's hard line policy against the controllers, some industry sources say such a long-term disruption could be so costly that some carriers might go bankrupt.

The Federal Aviation Administration said about 12,400 of the 17,000 air traffic controllers remained off their jobs yesterday despite an ultimatum from Reagan that they return to work by 11 a.m. today or be fired.

The FAA said 72 percent of regularly scheduled flights were operating yesterday, although the agency continued to hold takeoffs at the 23 major airports to 50 percent of the normal number.

The airline industry said it was losing 270,000 passengers a day, although some airlines reported unexpectedly empty seats because passengers have been scared away.

FAA Administrator J. Lynn Helms said the agency already has developed a plan to be put into effect if there is a wholesale firing of controllers. But Transportation Department officials acknowledged the dismissals could cause long-term problems at the FAA.

If 1,000 to 2,000 controllers are fired the problems would not be severe, Helms told reporters. But he added: "If you say 10,000

there's no question we're going to have difficulty and we're going to have difficulty for a year."

It takes almost three years to train an individual to bring him from the point of being hired to becoming a journeyman controller able to direct air traffic by himself.

Helms would not discuss specifics of the FAA's contingency plan which is to be used if thousands of controllers need to be replaced permanently.

He said, however, the effort would include shifting some supervisors into permanent controller positions, speeding up training schedules, using military controllers, and maintaining a reduced volume of air traffic.

"About 600 people could be moved in within 60 days," Helms said.

But administration officials acknowledged that if anywhere near the number of controllers on strike are fired the agency's training problems could be immense and the disruption of air traffic could become a normality for years.

Transportation Secretary Drew Lewis left open the possibility this week that the FAA's air traffic operations would be operated by a skeleton crew of controllers "for a year, two years or three years" if most of the striking controllers are fired.

He said yesterday that plans already were under way to examine ways to speed up the training program and that 2,800 to 3,500 people a year could go through initial training at the FAA's center in Oklahoma City. That, however, would cover only the initial phase of training, which has been followed by up to 2 1/2 years of service as an apprentice controller.

news briefs

U.S. may give aid to Lebanon

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States may try to strengthen the United Nations military force in southern Lebanon as part of a new Middle East peace effort, the Reagan administration said yesterday.

Meanwhile, the State Department said the July 24 cease-fire agreement in Lebanon does not prevent warring factions from being resupplied with arms.

"The existing understanding dealt with the cessation of hostilities at the tanks," the department said in a

written answer to a question. Israel charged Monday that Saudi Arabia was sending arms to the Palestine Liberation Organization units in Lebanon in violation of the spirit of the cease-fire agreement. The State Department has declined comment on whether Saudi Arabia is funneling arms to the PLO.

The United States also will continue efforts to strengthen the Lebanese central government to take control of the entire country by supplanting warring factions.

Conoco bidding war goes on

NEW YORK (AP) — The multi-billion dollar bidding war for Conoco Inc. neared a climax yesterday as both Du Pont Co. and Mobil Corp. boosted their bids for control of the nation's ninth-largest oil company.

Du Pont, the nation's largest chemical company, appeared to be in a position to take control of Conoco as a midnight deadline approached.

A federal judge turned down Mobil's request to block Du Pont's offer.

Du Pont raised its bid to \$7.4 billion from \$7.3 billion. Mobil, which had bid \$7.2 billion, raised its previous day from \$8.2 billion to \$8.6 billion, followed with an increase to \$8.8 billion.

But Mobil's bid faced antitrust problems that could prevent it from buying any shares, and Du Pont said 27 percent of Conoco's shares had been offered to it by the close of business Monday, despite the higher Mobil bid.

No venue change for Williams

ATLANTA (AP) — Defense attorneys do not plan to seek a change in venue for the trial of Wayne B. Williams, charged with murder in the deaths of two young blacks, a source close to the defense said Monday.

Such motions were considered because attorneys did not expect to have their choice of a new location, preferably one out of state, the source said.

Williams was indicted July 17 in the slayings of 21-year-old Jimmy Ray Payne and 27-year-old Nathaniel Carter, the 26th and 28th victims in the two-year chain of killings.

"We do not plan to seek a change of venue. And as of now, we are 75 to 95 percent sure that decision won't change," said the source, who asked not to be identified.

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Philadelphia Bulletin may fold

The 134-year-old Philadelphia Bulletin will cease publication Aug. 16 unless unions representing half of its 1,900 employees agree to a \$4.9 million package of concessions, the newspaper reported yesterday.

"We want to stay, and compete, and return The Bulletin to profitability," Bulletin publisher N.S. Hayden wrote in a front-page letter. "And we believe we can if we can reach agreement with our unions to change some work practices and lower our wage costs."

The Bulletin is owned by The Charter Co., an oil, insurance and communications firm. It purchased the paper last April, ending 85 years of family ownership.

The Bulletin's announcement came three days before The Washington Star, also an evening paper, "Bulletin publisher N.S. Hayden wrote in a front-page letter. "And we believe we can if we can reach agreement with our unions to change some work practices and lower our wage costs."

Forest fires plague Greece

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — The Greek government called for an emergency around Athens yesterday as troops and firemen fought desperately to control forest and scrub fires raging in five of the city's suburbs.

Major forest fires burned elsewhere in Greece as well.

Police said at least five people were seriously injured in the blazes Monday and yesterday that destroyed the homes of residents scrambling for safety and darkened this ancient capital with a pall of

smoke. A person was reported killed Monday — a West German tourist trapped at a campsite.

Premier George Rallis went on television to appeal for calm and the help of the public in fighting the blazes. "Nobody knows if the fires are due to arson or to accidental ignition," he said.

Firemen and equipment were rushed to the blazes in northern suburbs of Ekal, Politia, Castri, Kifissos and Melissas.



The body of Irish Republican Army hunger striker Kevin Lynch is carried by four of his brothers and masked nationalists. Violence in Northern Ireland followed Lynch's death and that of Kieran Doherty on Sunday. Lynch and Doherty are the seventh and eighth hunger strikers to die.

Riots flare at hunger striker burial

By ED BLANCHÉ
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BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — Rioters in Roman Catholic neighborhoods threw bricks, bottles and gasoline bombs at police and troops after a funeral of IRA hunger striker Kieran Doherty, police said.

Security forces retaliated by firing plastic bullets to disperse crowds, they said. No casualties were reported in the clashes.

Doherty, 25, was the eighth Irish nationalist hunger striker to die in Northern Ireland's Maze prison since the fast began March 1. He was given a final salute by Irish Republican Army riflemen, and buried yesterday alongside

two other guerrillas who starved themselves to death.

Fifty miles west of here, one of the IRA's latest victims was buried. Two thousand Protestants attended the funeral in Omagh of John Smyth, one of two police officers killed in an IRA landmine ambush Sunday, the day Doherty died.

Presbyterian clergyman Dr. Ronald Craig denounced the guerrillas as "cowards" and told the Omagh mourners, "While these murders of law-keeping officers continue, how can anyone talk with hunger strikers or others who are in Ireland's Maze prison since the fast began March 1. He was given a final salute by Irish Republican Army riflemen, and buried yesterday alongside

They are the soft underbelly of the hunger strike. They are obviously under great strain and grief," a senior Sinn Fein official, Richard McAuley, told reporters. "... But it's the prisoners who repeatedly they're determined to go on until it until their deaths are met."

Doherty died on the 73rd day of his fast. An estimated 8,000 Roman Catholics attended his funeral, far fewer than the huge crowds that followed the coffins of the first hunger strikers to die in May.

Doherty, who had been serving a 22-year term for possessing guns and explosives, was elected a member of the neighboring Irish Republic's Parliament on June 11.

Sadat visits for first talks with Reagan

By R. GREGORY NOKES
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WASHINGTON (AP) — President Anwar Sadat of Egypt, ready to open his first talks with Ronald Reagan, is bearing a proposal that the new American president would rather not hear — that the United States offer the Palestinians a direct role in the quest for a Middle East peace.

Sadat arrived last night to start a five-day visit. Before leaving London on his flight to Washington, Sadat said he will urge President Reagan to recognize a role for the Palestinians, including the Palestine Liberation Organization, in the Middle East peace process. Reagan was almost sure to reject that recommendation.

"I think it is time that the United States drops the condition of not contacting the Palestinians," Sadat said at a news conference.

But White House spokesman David Gergen said "the United States has not changed its position with regard to the PLO."

Sadat will meet Reagan for the first time following an official White House welcoming ceremony today.

Besides getting to know one another, a major purpose for both men is to explore ways of resuming the stalled discussions between Israel and Egypt on autonomy for the 1.2 million Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. This is the major unfinished business from the 1978 Camp David accords.

U.S. officials have said they will welcome Sadat's views on how to resume the talks. However, his suggestion for involvement of the PLO is certain to be received coolly by Reagan, who has said he considers it a terrorist organization.

"It's hard to imagine President Reagan will announce any change regarding the PLO," said one State Department official, who didn't want to be identified.

He said Sadat probably voiced his opinion in London because he wanted to highlight some of the issues he is going to be raising with the President.

The U.S. position on the PLO, as spelled out in a June 1 press memorandum, is: "The United States will not recognize or negotiate with the PLO so long as the PLO does not recognize Israel's right to exist and does not accept United Nations resolutions calling for secure and recognized boundaries for Israel."

But Sadat said Israel and the United States had already recognized the Palestinians by arriving at the July 24 cease-fire between Palestinians and Israelis on the Lebanese border.

He said the cease-fire could mark a turning point in the Arab-Israeli conflict and urged that the European Common Market and the United States use it as the basis for a broader settlement.

One approach, he said, would be to bring Israel and the Palestinians together "for mutual and simultaneous recognition."

Sadat said Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin "doesn't say (the cease-fire) was between him and the Palestinians. He says it was between him and Lebanon. Okay, let it be between him and Lebanon. But the substance remains that it is a cease-fire between him and the Palestinians."

Sadat also said he would tell Reagan the United States should continue acting as a partner in the peace process as it did under President Carter.

Besides the peace talks, Sadat and Reagan are also scheduled to discuss Soviet activity in the Middle East, a major concern both for Egypt and the United States.

Supermarket savings: Sales, coupons, generic brands provide key

If your pantry is crying out from the depths of despair, and you're tired of having to borrow a cup of lasagna from your neighbor, don't panic — I have some price advice to guide you through those crowded supermarket aisles in a breeze.

First, as this week's chart shows, comparison-shopping in State College still pays. Price differences between stores on the items I checked ranged from just 4 cents — hardly anything to get excited about — on canned pineapple slices, to 50 cents for an 8-ounce jar of instant coffee. You can increase your savings lots of times over by reading store circulars and watching for sales. Then, you can stock up on almost any item your little heart desires — provided, of course, you have room to store it.

If, for example, you're just wild about "Captain Glick" brand tuna, and want to collect the whole set of charming plastic mini-things that come inside the boxes, you can purchase several boxes on sale — and add to your collection that much faster.

If you're fond of foods that tend to be expensive when eaten in large quantities — like steaks or Fig Newtons, for example — you'd be especially wise to watch for sales on these items. But beware of getting carried away with the idea, meat requires freezer space and fig bars won't last forever on your shelf.

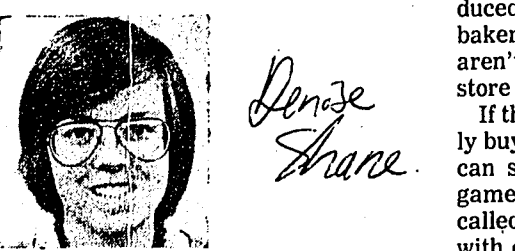
Once you've discovered the joys of sale shopping, don't stop there. You can add to your financial gains by purchasing the generic brand version of some foods.

These items, which bear the notorious conspicuous plain black and white labels, usually cost much less than similar foods made by nationally known companies, like General Foods or Kellogg's.

But the quality of generic foods varies greatly. As a rule, though, you can expect to find imitation ingredients in most of these foods, which is why generic

spaghetti sauce may not please your palate as much as generic corn flakes do. So if you're not picky about ingredients, you can save a bundle by switching to generic foods. Try purchasing basic generic foods like macaroni and cereals first; then, if you're satisfied with the quality, you can test some other items.

But unless you're positive that you'll just love that generic canned lasagna, don't buy 47 cans of it — even on sale; then, should you later discover it tastes like cardboard stuffed in tomato gelatin, you'll have less of it to feed to your neighbor's dog.



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Even if your pantry's already stocked with sale items and generic brand foods, you may still need something to put between these two slices of sandwich bread you plan to take for lunch tomorrow. The prepackaged sandwich fillings I priced, including bologna, Swiss cheese and tuna fish, almost always cost less if you purchase the store's own brand.

And unless you're really a gourmet, chances are, you won't notice any taste difference. But national companies like Oscar Mayer and Kraft do offer one clear advantage — you usually get your choice of regular or thin-sliced meats or cheeses.

If you purchase Kraft's 8-ounce package of thin-sliced Swiss cheese, for example, you can trade in your unwanted coupons for a regular-sliced 8-

ounce package in any brand. And since each slice is a little thinner than regular slices, it costs less per slice.

Those of us who are late-night snackers quickly learn to scour the grocery aisles for midnight munching possibilities. If you're not too particular, you can almost always find something that suits your taste at a bargain price.

For example, if you like something cool and refreshing for dessert, you can often find slightly out-of-date (translate "almost done-for") fruit at cut-rate prices. And if you can't seem to study without having something sweet on hand, you can almost always find some slightly old cupcakes or end-of-the-day pies reduced for quick sale in your store's bakery section. These kinds of bargains aren't usually advertised, so go to the store prepared to hunt for your savings.

If the national brand foods you regularly buy don't ever seem to be on sale, you can still beat the company at its own game by clipping coupons. Most so-called women's magazines are loaded with coupons on everything from cereal to laundry detergent; if you don't get any, even if you doubt you'll ever have a use for a 25-cent-off coupon for Pampers or Aunt Wiggie's pie filling, clip it anyway — somebody can use it. Most stores — and Schlow Library, 100 E. Beaver Ave. — have a coupon exchange rack where you can trade in your unwanted coupons for some you can use.

Use coupons, be willing to try generic brands and hunt for bargains — and maybe you'll get change back from your food dollar.

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Taster's Choice instant coffee 8 oz. jar	4.69	5.19	4.89	4.89	4.89
Kraft swiss cheese slices, 8 oz. pkg.	1.59	1.53	1.43	1.49	1.49
Oscar Mayer Beef Bologna, 8 oz. pkg.	1.29	1.39	1.19	1.35	1.29
Gatorade drink, 1 qt. bottle	.79	.71	.67	.67	.69
Kellogg's raisin bran, 15 oz. pkg.	1.27	1.37	1.37	1.35	1.35
Chicken of the Sea Chunk light tuna in water, 6 1/2 oz. can	.85	1.05	1.05	()	.95
Heinz Ketchup, 14oz. bottle	.49	.61	.61	()	.49
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