

## Polish authorities detain Walesa

### Labor leader released after 9-hour drive

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GDANSK, Poland — Martial law authorities detained Lech Walesa for nine hours yesterday, his wife said, driving the labor leader "around the city" while hundreds of Poles protested against his detention in the streets of Gdansk and Warsaw.

Police fired tear gas to break up two crowds in Gdansk and sprayed high-pressure water into knots of protesters in downtown Warsaw as they chanted "Free Lech!" and "Down with the junta!"

Danuta Walesa, her voice choked with emotion, said her husband was "brought back by the same people" who whisked him

away late yesterday morning. "He still doesn't know why he was taken away," Mrs. Walesa said. "But he assumes it was to keep him from appearing" at a memorial service for workers slain in anti-government riots in 1970 and 1981.

The former head of the outlawed Solidarity labor union had planned to address the rally in his first public speech in more than a year of martial law. The government did not publicly acknowledge that Walesa had been detained, although a White House spokesman said in Washington that President Reagan had learned of his release through "official statements of the Polish government."

Official Warsaw radio said 12th anniversary commemorations of the December 1970 food riots passed without incidents yesterday in the tri-city area of Gdansk, Gdynia and Sopot. It said people laid wreaths and flowers on monuments to workers killed in the riots, but ignored leaflets urging them to demonstrate.

Asked where Walesa was taken, Mrs. Walesa replied, "He was driven around the

city." She did not disclose any other details of his detention.

Hours before Walesa's planned speech, he was taken from his apartment and driven away in a black Mercedes sedan, accompanied by another black Mercedes.

A witness who requested anonymity said seven policemen came to Walesa's door at 10:25 a.m. (4:25 a.m. EST) and said he was wanted for questioning by the Gdansk prosecutor on alleged financial irregularities of the city's Solidarity chapter. He was released about 7:30 p.m. (1:30 p.m. EST), Mrs. Walesa said.

Walesa, who was chairman of Gdansk Solidarity, had spurned a summons from the prosecutor's office on Wednesday and the witness said he asked the plainclothesmen yesterday if they carried a warrant.

"We won't bother with papers today," the witness quoted police as saying, adding Walesa did not resist as he was led to the waiting Mercedes.

Western reporters were blocked by police from reaching the 10-story building. A half-dozen who tried to get to it were detained

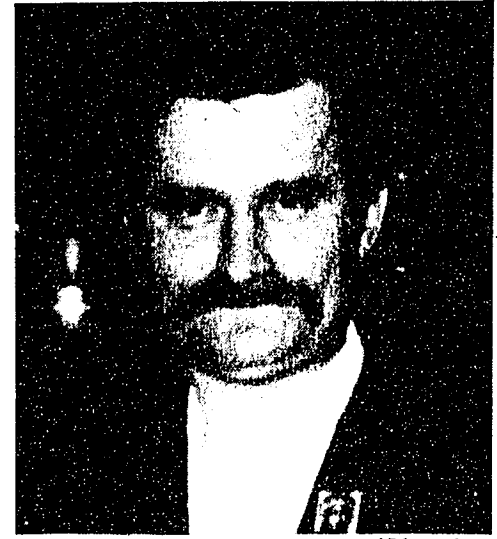
and questioned by police. An AP reporter and photographer saw Walesa being driven away and tried to follow the car. But they were overtaken by a marked police car, escorted to a police station and questioned for 2½ hours before they were released.

Protests broke out in Gdansk and Warsaw, shattering more than a month of relative calm, as reports spread by word-of-mouth that Walesa had been detained.

About 250 protesters, many of them youths, gathered near St. Ann's Catholic church in Warsaw and jeered police, who then sprayed the crowd with a water cannon.

Several dozen demonstrators took refuge in the church, but police surrounded the building. Three officers darted inside and dragged away one of the youths, prompting shouts of "Gestapo, Gestapo!"

After a special memorial mass in Gdansk, several hundred Poles walked toward the monument to the workers slain in the 1970 and 1981 riots. But they were cut off by police in riot gear who fired at least three rounds of tear gas to break up the crowd.



Lech Walesa

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Witnesses said riot police also fired three or four canisters of tear gas to disperse a large crowd outside the central railway station in the port city. Earlier, hundreds of workers had gathered at the monument outside the V.I. Lenin shipyard, witnesses said. The workers unfurled red-and-white Solidarity banners, shouted the union's name, and chanted, "Free Lech!"

## Woman killed as car hits truck on 322

By PAUL CHILAND  
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A 40-year-old State College woman was killed last night in a two-vehicle accident on U.S. Route 322, across from Meyer Dairy Store, 2390 S. Atherton St.

Mary Bernadette Skeels, 305B W. Hamilton Street, was driving a compact car west on Route 322, about 220 yards east of Rolling Ridge Drive, around 8 p.m. when she hit a pick-up truck from behind, according to a spokeswoman for the State College Police Department. The pick-up truck, operated by

20-year-old Norman J. Spackman II of Boalsburg, was stopped in the left westbound lane of 322 and was attempting to turn when Skeels' car, a 1981 Chevrolet Chevette, failed to stop for unknown reasons.

Skeels was removed from her car by members of the Alpha Rescue Squad and was pronounced dead at 9:30 p.m. at Centre Community Hospital. Cause of death was listed as massive head and internal injuries.

Spackman and a passenger in the truck, Deborah Seitz, 18, of 245½ N. Spring St., Bellefonte, were treated and released.

## Local jobless rate low but increasing

By MARY STEPHENS  
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Although interest rates may be falling, the recession evidenced by the unemployment rate continues — even in Happy Valley.

The unemployment rate for the State College Metropolitan area may seem low compared to Pennsylvania and the rest of the country, but it is on the rise.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose to 8.8 percent in State College during the month of October; in October of last year the rate was 6.7 percent, said Norma Gavin Pappas, editor of the Pennsylvania Business Survey, published by the College of Business Administration.

Adjusted unemployment rates have been calculated to account for seasonal variations. For example, you can expect retail sales to increase during the holiday shopping season, she said.

October's figures are the most current available for State College because the Department of Labor does not release unemployment figures for metropolitan areas until a full month later, Pappas said. The State College metropolitan area encompasses all of Centre County.

Although unemployment has risen in State College, it remains far below the state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate which rose from 11.5 percent in October to 12.1 percent in November, Pappas said. The national unemployment rate rose from 10.4 percent in October to 10.8 percent in November.

Although unemployment rose, total employment in the State College Metropolitan area reached 42,300 in October from 41,700 in September, she said.

The rise in the unemployment rate, Pappas said, can be attributed to an increase in the labor pool. For example, wives whose husbands have been laid off may be entering the work force and more teenagers reaching working age could be looking for jobs.

Even though monthly reports

can be indicative of the economy, the Pennsylvania Business Survey prefers to consider yearly quarters, Pappas said.

"We don't go much on a month-to-month change," he said. For the quarter from July to September, the non-manufacturing sector had a drop of 4,000 jobs, Pappas said. This represents a 10.9 percent decline since the April-June quarter. Non-manufacturing jobs include

employment in construction, mining, transportation, service, government and the University. The University, the largest employer in the area, creates a stabilizing factor in the State College metropolitan area's economy.

"State College is one of the better areas in the state because of the large, massive employment that doesn't fluctuate much," said Glenn Lynn, labor market analyst for the United States Department of Labor.

George L. Lane, University controller, said the business nature of a university causes it to be more stable. The University provides 15,118 jobs at the University Park campus, Lane said. No violent fluctuations have occurred in the number of jobs in the past few years.

Ray T. Fortunato, assistant vice president for personnel management, said the recession has not forced the University to lay off employees. "We have not been hit by the recession," Fortunato said. "We've had full student counts."

Lane said because the University is state funded, the recession may actually increase its attractiveness. The cost of private schools could force many students to enroll in state-funded schools.

Like the University, downtown businesses also are not laying off workers, said JoAnn R. Lew, president of the Downtown Business Association.

She didn't attribute the rise in unemployment to layoffs, but to an employer reluctance to replace a

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Photo by Nathan Leiser

### Comforting arms

Santa Claus offers seasonal solace to Vince Polons at a Christmas party for mentally retarded residents from the Laurelton Center. The party was sponsored by residents of sixth and seventh floor Pennypacker Hall and third and fourth floor Sprout Hall last night in Fisher Hall. Please see story, page 3.

## Drug arrests made in nearby counties

By MICHAEL J. VAND  
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More than 100 police began serving arrest warrants yesterday for 55 persons, as Pennsylvania State Police and other law enforcement agencies began a massive drug raid in nearby Cameron, Elk, McKean and Potter counties.

Agents purchased cocaine, methamphetamine, LSD, hashish, marijuana and look-alike drugs from drug dealers, police said.

The raid began at 6 a.m. yesterday, and agents purchased cocaine, methamphetamine, LSD, hashish, marijuana and look-alike drugs from drug dealers.

A state police spokesman in McKean County said the raid resulted from a six-month investigation by undercover agents. In addition to charges of sale and delivery of controlled substances, conspiracy charges were filed as a result of the transactions, police said.

Forty-six suspects were already in custody, according to The Associated Press. They are being held in Potter, Cameron and McKean county jails with bails ranging from \$5,000 to \$55,000.

State police from Emporium and Kane in McKean County and from Punxsatawny, Jefferson County, and Montoursville, Lycoming County, participated in

the raids, police said. They were assisted by Cameron County deputy sheriffs, and city and township police from Emporium, Kane, Port Allegany and Bradford in McKean County and Johnsonburg and Ridgway in Elk County.

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Wire reports said arrests were made in Centre County, but State Police at Rockview said they were not aware of any local arrests.

The police spokesman did not release any figures about the amount of drugs confiscated or money spent on the operation. However, wire service reports said agents purchased more than \$7,000 worth of drugs.

While the arrests will not end drug traffic in the area, police said they expect the arrests to adversely affect area drug traffic for some time to come.

## 9 killed in Calif. B-52 crash

By DOUG WILLIS  
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SACRAMENTO, Calif. — A B-52 bomber crashed into a muddy field and exploded just after taking off on a training flight yesterday, killing all nine crew members. Witnesses said the pilot steered the plane away from buildings where more people might have died.

The Air Force said the plane, stationed at Mather Air Force Base, carried no nuclear weapons, although similar aircraft stationed at the base near Sacramento do carry the weapons.

Base information officer Clarence Fagan said the plane had a full load of fuel and carried "tailgunner" ammunition when it went down in a muddy field at 8:45 a.m. PST (11:45 a.m. EST). The eight-engine bomber

and its crew were based at Castle Air Force Base, 100 miles to the south.

The cause of the crash was not immediately known; names of the dead were withheld pending notification of relatives.

"I saw the thing coming," said Mike Koewler, president of Sacramento Rendering Co., near the crash scene. "It was level. It looked to me like a normal takeoff, then it took a substantial drop in altitude to the point where you knew the guy was in deep trouble."

"At the point of impact, it looked to me like the first thing to go was the tip of the right wing," he said.

Koewler said it appeared the pilot intentionally headed for the field. If the plane had gone straight, Koewler said, it "would have wiped out a couple of gas stations and maybe some houses."

"It looked to me like he saved a lot of lives," he said.

## FBI charter hits Ohio bookstore

By TERRY KINNEY  
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MONTGOMERY, Ohio — A plane chartered by the FBI crashed into a bookstore yesterday, killing all six men aboard, including a suspected embezzler who surfaced after being declared legally dead and was leading agents to the site of his buried loot.

At least four people in the suburban Cincinnati bookstore were injured, including two in critical condition, authorities said.

The FBI identified the dead as agents Robert W. Connors, 36, and Charles L. Ellington, 36, both of Naperville, Ill.; Terry B. Hereford, 34, of Wheaton, Ill.; and Michael J. Lynch, 35, of Woodridge, Ill.

Also killed were Patrick Daly, 68, a former Chicago policeman from Evergreen Park, Ill., and Carl H. Johnson, 48, a former bank executive accused of embezzling \$615,000 from a Chicago bank in 1975. Daly was an investigator working for Johnson's lawyer.

Alfred E. Smith, special agent in charge of the

Cincinnati FBI office, said Connors and Hereford were qualified FBI pilots and were flying the twin-engine Cessna 411 when it crashed into the Sheppard Bookstore, a converted three-story frame home.

Smith said Johnson, who had been declared legally dead just before surrendering to the FBI in Chicago earlier this month, had said he buried \$50,000 of the stolen money in the Cincinnati area. He was leading agents to that site.

"The object of our investigation today was for our agents to hook up with the agents coming in from Chicago and to be led to the site where this money was allegedly buried," Smith said.

The crash occurred in a residential area about 10 miles from the Lunken Field airport.

The plane was in the approach pattern to Lunken Field, one of three airports serving Cincinnati, officials said. It dropped so abruptly that it avoided hitting a house across the street from the bookstore, yet went under a 20-foot-high power line along the street and slammed into the store near its foundation.

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### weather

Early today will be mostly cloudy with some sunshine possible this afternoon and a high temperature of 33 degrees. Tonight will become clear and cold with a low temperature of 19 degrees. Tomorrow should be partly cloudy with a high temperature near 35 degrees. The low temperature should be in the 20s.

—by Craig Wagner

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