

# Soviets ask to move divisions across Poland

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — The Soviet Union has asked for permission to move four divisions across Poland to East Germany, according to information reaching U.S. officials in Washington.

The officials said the Soviet Union had moved trucks toward the Polish border and tightened communications security in preparation for possible intervention to crush the new independent trade union movement. In Brussels, NATO defense ministers asked the United States to send four surveillance aircraft to Europe because of the Polish crisis, and the Pentagon responded immediately.

saying the planes would be sent to West Germany.

Poland's army, in a new warning Tuesday, said the country would not tolerate trade union activity directed against the communist state, and the Polish news agency reported a case of possible industrial sabotage at a coal mine. And a top NATO military leader underlined Western concern about a possible armed intervention by saying the Soviets Union has the capability to move into Poland on a few hours' notice.

Although the situation was generally quiet in Poland, the official army newspaper issued a warning to follow

up previous hints that the Polish army may take action itself if labor unrest continued.

The government news agency PAP said Communist Party meetings were held at the Defense Ministry and headquarters of the air defense, border guard and military general staff. They were among a routine listing of the continuing round of party conferences but were preceded by a statement saying the armed forces backed the party leadership "not only by word but by action."

PAP also quoted Vice Premier Mieczyslaw Jagielski as telling a party conference in Lodz there were

"destructive forces" in the independent labor unions. It said he spoke of "lack of prudence, irresponsibility and impatience" in the country's efforts to solve its political and economic problems.

The country's private farmers accused the government of backing down on an agreement to allow them an independent union, adding their voice to the labor and economic unrest that has spread alarm in the Soviet-led Warsaw Pact and provoked fears in the West that the Soviet Union might intervene.

But PAP said beekeepers and chimney sweeps received approval

from a Warsaw district court to operate their own unions. It said the court rulings brought to 47 the number of free trade unions authorized since the Baltic shipyard strikes this summer.

Warsaw Radio reported the party's ruling Politburo met to discuss market supplies for the Christmas period and said "the situation is very difficult." The broadcast quoted a Politburo statement as saying there would be the same amount of meat as last year but fewer sweets, citrus fruit and hard cheeses.

The Soviet Union summoned Warsaw Pact members to a Moscow summit last Friday on the Polish crisis

and the meeting ended with a statement of confidence that Poland would be able to surmount its difficulties.

But on Monday, Soviet and East German official news agencies carried reports of new labor troubles at a Polish factory and claimed "counter-revolutionary forces" were challenging communist rule.

The reports were denied by the Polish government and the labor unions. Similar allegations of "counter-revolutionary activity" appeared in the Eastern European press in advance

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Campanile bellringer Ruth Brick at work.

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## NO RINGING BELLS

### Springfield bellringer asks repairs

By CAROLYN ROBBINS  
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Springfield's Campanile bells are in such a sorry state that they won't even peal "Jingle Bells" this Christmas season.

Ruth Brick, the city bellringer, said Tuesday that three of the tower's 12 notes — B flat, C and F — will not play.

"There will be no bells for Christmas unless something is done," she said. "It's such a shame that they've gone out at this time of year."

Mrs. Brick plays the Springfield Campanile bells each Thursday and Friday and lately her job has been complicated because some of the bells won't sound.

Last week when Mrs. Brick took her seat at the bells in the basement of the Campanile she noticed that the three notes were missing. But she said the latest problem is

just one in a series of troubles. "The bells are in a sad state of neglect," she said. "The whole system is gone. It needs complete rewiring."

Some of the bells stick and others barely make sounds, she said.

"These bells have been the background of Springfield since 1913," she said. "They're worth getting fixed."

The bellringer's frustration reached a crescendo during September's Symphony Hall rededication. In a letter Mrs. Brick sent to city officials following the dedication concert, she wrote: "As I began to play and struck the great E flat bell, there was no sound. I knew once again I was in great trouble. Frantically I quickly struck again at another point on the key... but the key would not release." The

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# Ex-mental patient, 25, held in Lennon killing

NEW YORK (AP) — A 25-year-old former mental patient and "devout Beatles fan" who authorities say came to New York expressly to kill John Lennon was arraigned on second-degree murder charges Tuesday in the slaying of the legendary singer-songwriter.

Mark David Chapman entered no plea at his arraignment in Manhattan Criminal Court, but his court-appointed attorney said his client had twice attempted suicide in the past and asked that he be given a psychiatric examination because of doubts he could understand the charges.

The court agreed, ordered Chapman held without bail, and instructed that authorities at Bellevue Hospital take precautions against a suicide attempt.

As Chapman was being arraigned, the music world mourned the death of the 40-year-old Lennon, and tributes poured in from around the world.

President Carter said Lennon "helped create the mood and music of our time." President-elect Ronald Reagan called the death "tragic" and said "we have to find an answer" to stop such violence.

Lennon's widow, Yoko Ono, said there would be no funeral, and asked instead that fans all over the world take part in a silent vigil "to pray for his soul." She said the time would be announced later.

Assistant District Attorney Kim Hogrefe said Chapman was carrying \$2,000 in cash when he was arrested without resisting moments after the slaying Monday night outside the luxury Dakota apartment building where Lennon lived with his wife and their 5-year-old son, Sean.

Hogrefe charged that Chapman, who most recently lived in Hawaii, had "borrowed to come to New York City to do what he had done."

Police said Chapman had no record of arrests. Hogrefe had said at the arraignment that Chapman had an arrest record dating to 1972, but police later said that was a mistake.

Chapman's lawyer, Herbert Adlerberg, said his client had twice attempted suicide

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Judge Martin Rettinger, left, eyes Mark David Chapman, 25, who was charged Tuesday in a New York courtroom with second degree murder in the shooting death of former Beatle John Lennon

Graphic by Ida Libby Dengrove, NBC-TV

## Songs trigger memories as Beatles' fans mourn

By RUTH DANCKERT  
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"I feel like I've lost my best friend. When Kennedy died I was sad, but last night was different. I just about broke down and cried," said Jim Kaye, morning announcer at WAQY Radio.

"My generation grew up with the Beatles and for disc jockeys, especially, it influences everything we do," Kaye said. "Everything that happens in music today is an offshoot, in some way, of what they did."

WAQY began six hours of continuous Beatles music just after news of John Lennon's death was confirmed Monday night, digging deep into the files for tunes like *My Bonnie*, the group's first single released in this country, and *Ain't She Sweet*, which was their first solo singing debut in Hamburg, Germany.

"It was fun to do that. Those were good time records and it was good to hear those last night," Kaye said.

WAQY-FM in East Longmeadow, and its sister station, WKRZ in Scranton, Pa., are inviting listeners to call in to have names added to a mail-gram being sent to Lennon's widow, Yoko Ono. More than 2,000 names had been received at the East Longmeadow station by late Tuesday.

A *Public Eulogy to John Lennon* began at WDRS AM-FM in Hartford shortly after midnight and was slated to run at least through midnight Tuesday, according to Don Brooks, a spokesman at the station.

The station dropped all but paid commercials and played continuous Beatles and Lennon music interspersed with calls from viewers like this one — "I was 14 years old when the Beatles came over here. President Kennedy had just been assassinated and the Beatles were one of the few positive things to happen. They helped get me through some bad times when I was a teen-ager. And I don't understand why John Lennon had to be killed so foolishly. I don't understand it any better now than when I was 14."

A hand-lettered sign was tacked on a tree on the green in West Springfield sometime Tuesday morning. "Turn on your headlights for John Lennon."

By 11 a.m. Main Music and Belmont Records in downtown Springfield had sold every John Lennon album in stock.



Associated Press Photo

Some of John Lennon's fans light candles in memory of the slain musician Tuesday night on Boston Common. Many of the more than 400 fans who gathered sang tunes associated with Lennon and the Beatles.

Radio stations across the dial played record after record by Lennon and the Beatles Tuesday morning, but at WSPR, program director Bill Nosal played only two — *Happy Christmas, The War Is Over* and *Hey Jude*. In between he played Simon and Garfunkel's *Silent Night*.

"I can't sit here and play 10 Lennon cuts in a row," said Nosal. "It seems such an inadequate way to remember him."

## Police union head criticizes mayor

By JO-ANN MORIARTY  
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HOLYOKE — The police union president on Tuesday charged the mayor with "continuous disregard" for the safety of Holyoke police and said the mayor's proposed budget cuts in the Police Department could increase criminal activity.

In a letter to Mayor Ernest E. Proulx, union President Arthur J. Therrien said, "You, as mayor, have chosen the battleground and we have accepted to meet you head-on. Your continuous disregard for our safety as well as that of the public is completely and without exception, unacceptable to this local and its membership."

Therrien, president of the International Brotherhood of Police Officers Local 388, apparently wrote the letter in response to a Dec. 5 letter from the mayor, who criticized Therrien's statements made to the press.

"Generally, such expression is your right," the mayor wrote. "There are, however, instances in which your right to express yourself can conflict with the best interests of the public and the Holyoke Police Department."

Proulx said he was enforcing departmental regulations prohibiting certain public statements by officers because "certain public statements made by you (Therrien) regarding the ability of the department to protect the public may, in my opinion, encourage criminal activity."

Therrien's letter to Proulx described the mayor's letter as "threatening." The union president said the mayor was responsible for generating an element of criminal activity through his proposals to reduce the depart-

ment's budget by \$202,000 for fiscal 1981. "We believe, as you found out during the recent (summer) riots — riots which you chose to ignore and allowed a total disregard for the law — that our citizens want protection," Therrien charged.

The city and the police union are in arbitra-

tion over a strike threat issued last month by Therrien.

Among a list of charges, Therrien held that the mayor inappropriately used reserve

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