

"All the News  
That's Fit to Print"

# The New York Times

Late Edition

New York: Today, showers ending, clearing. High 51-56. Tonight, clear, colder. Low 27-37. Tomorrow, sunny, light winds. High 49-54. Yesterday: High 59, low 51. Details on page 39.

VOL. CXXXVII. No. 47,457

Copyright © 1988 The New York Times

NEW YORK, SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 1988

\$1.25  
\$1.50 beyond 75 miles from New York City, except on Long Island.

## Czechoslovak Police Disperse Catholics at a Rally

VIENNA, March 26 (AP) — Riot policemen backed by water cannon beat and arrested hundreds of Roman Catholics in western Czechoslovakia on Friday night when they demonstrated for religious freedom, Western reporters said today.

About 2,000 people in Bratislava, the Slovak capital, had gathered in front of the National Theater for a candlelight rally that had been banned by the Communist authorities, who tightly control religious activities.

Witnesses said the authorities dispersed the protesters, who had been singing Slovak and Czech anthems and praying and holding candles, by herd-

ing them into side streets where hundreds of people were arrested and many were beaten.

Discontent has been growing among Catholics at the authorities' failure to agree with the Vatican on candidates to fill 10 vacant bishoprics. No new Czechoslovak bishops have been named since 1973; the three remaining bishops are all more than 75 years old. A petition for religious freedom and the appointment of bishops and priests is being widely circulated.

Jan Cernogursky, who helped organize the rally, said in a telephone interview from Bratislava that if there were similar protests in the future, he would

Government will no longer be able to freely decide over the heads of the citizens.

"It was a new form of civil protest in this country after 40 years," he told the Austrian radio, adding that a demonstration of citizens that had been announced beforehand "has practically never taken place here before."

Otto Hörmann of the Austrian state television said his crew was dragged away by policemen who appeared drunk, and was taken to police headquarters for two and a half hours. Two other Austrian television journalists were held for eight hours, and a team from a West German network also was

detailed. The forceful police reaction appeared designed to discourage opposition by Catholics.

### Negotiations With Vatican

Negotiations on the appointments issue between the Government and a Vatican delegation in Prague in January were inconclusive. The Government insists on candidates belonging to the pro-Government Pacem in Terris organization of clergymen, which is banned by the Vatican, and the Vatican is insisting on its own candidates.

The talks are scheduled to resume in Rome next month.

The 31-point petition, which organizers say has been signed by hundreds of thousands of Catholics nationwide, has made authorities increasingly nervous. It calls for more bishops, more

priests and separation of church and state as well as the right to question Government actions and to petition authorities without harassment.

The petition's author, Augustin Navrátil, was arrested earlier this month and charged with committing "insult of a state organ and of a public organization," which is punishable by up to one year's imprisonment.

Frantisek Miklosko, a Slovak Catholic activist, had announced the rally to the authorities "on behalf of several faithful fellow citizens" and organizers said up to 70,000 participants were expected.

But the authorities banned the rally on Thursday, saying it was "an event guided from abroad" that was directed against the Socialist system.

## Detentions at a Baltic Rally Confirmed by Soviet Press

MOSCOW, March 26 (Reuters) — The Soviet press agency Tass confirmed reports today that a number of people had been detained at rallies in the Soviet Baltic republics of Latvia and Estonia on Friday.

A Latvian dissident, Ronalds Gaubis, earlier said by telephone that he and 14 others were seized during a rally in Riga in memory of Latvians deported to Siberia during the Stalin era.

Tass confirmed that thousands of people had taken part in the rally and that "a handful of irresponsible people" attempted to protest. It also reported that five arrests had been made at a similar rally in Tallin, Estonia.

## Temperature's rising

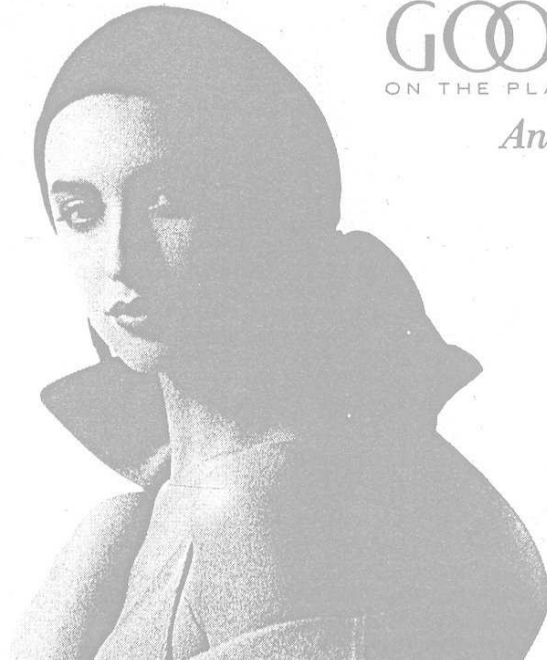
Suddenly summer at Bergdorf's. And in view of the new Anne Klein collection on Three, it looks to be a season of ceiling fans and rattan.

Louis Dell'Olio for Anne Klein has created something really quite special, exclusively for Bergdorf Goodman. It's all about shade, color, a sunbaked khaki called rattan. Immediately recognizable. And what registers first is the sense of summer that comes across in the gauzy linen fabric and relaxed proportions photographed here. Trench jacket, pencil skirt and Lycra tank. Inspiration to open the beach house early.

## Round about one

There's so much news throughout BG's one hardly knows where to begin. Tomorrow, a new perfume is debuting in an entirely new spot. It's Gem, from Van Cleef & Arpels, a jewel in liquid form. Sparkling. Faceted. With the spirit and fire of a solitaire. You'll find it in its own setting, near Van Cleef's, by the Fifth Avenue entrance. At Bergdorf's and nowhere else.

The Anne Moore collection in Gloves on One is rhapsody itself. Mood makers in stretchy black nylon. Gloves that really fit like a glove. Sometimes short with bright red cherries, sometimes long with a huge organza ruffle. All, beautiful...and



BERGDORF  
GOODMAN  
ON THE PLAZA IN NEW YORK

Anne Klein