

Umwelt-Bibliothek [Environmental Library] (1987)

Abstract

On the night of November 24–25, 1987, employees of the Ministry for State Security (also known as the Stasi) accompanied by a state attorney, occupied the Environmental Library, confiscated all its printers and copies of the magazine *Umweltblätter* [Environmental Pamphlets], and arrested seven members of the library staff, including Wolfgang Rüdtenklaus and Bert Schlegel. The arrests prompted an overwhelming show of solidarity with the Umwelt-Bibliothek [Environmental Library], both within the GDR and abroad, forcing the SED regime to abandon its position. This picture shows Johanna (actually Annette) Kalex (center), a member of the independent Dresden opposition group Wolf's Coat [Wolfspelz], at a vigil at the Church of Zion. Kalex was among the many who turned out to protest the Stasi operation.

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