Another 3 held in swoops

NEWS of three more detentions was received today, bringing the total number of Security Police arrests since Wednesday to 11.

One former detainee, Mr. Joergen Wagner, a German photographer who was held for seven days, released and rearrested for a further five hours of questioning this week, was to have left South Africa by air this afternoon.

The latest detainees are claimed to be Michael Markovitz, a BA student at the University of Cape Town, and two former students of Witwatersrand University, Mr. Martin Notcutt and Miss Colleen Crawford.

Mr. Neville Curtis, president of the National Union of South African Students, said Mr. Markovitz was detained last night. Mr. Notcutt and Miss Crawford were detained after a police search at a farm near Riverdale in the Cape today.

Mr. Curtis said that according to his information about five policemen, led by a lieutenant colonel, arrived at the farm in two cars about 7.30 am. They searched the house for nearly two hours and left with Mr. Notcutt and Miss Crawford, saying they would be taken to Johannesburg.

EMBASSY

A spokesman for the German Embassy in Pretoria today confirmed that Mr. Joergen Wagner was leaving from Jan Smuts Airport. The embassy could not give further information.

According to other sources, Mr. Wagner was to have left for Malawi at 2 pm.

In Johannesburg, a lecturer and a student of the University of the Witwatersrand, as well as two former students, were arrested by Security Police yesterday.

The lecturer is Dr. Colin Marquard (32), of the department of computer sciences at Wits. He was arrested at his home in 8th Avenue, Melville, with two former students, Mr. Benjamin Cousins (22) and Miss Eve Behrman (20). The fourth person detained in Johannesburg yesterday is Mr. Max Katz (27), a third-year BA student at Wits.

On Wednesday, three African men and Miss Hajira Essop were detained. Miss Essop is the sister of the detainee who went to hospital, Mr. Mohamed Essop, and is the third member of her family now in detention.

Mr. John Marquard, elder brother of Dr. Colin Marquard, went to John Vorster Square this morning to inquire about his brother.

"I saw a plainclothes policeman who said he was present at the detention. He said nobody would be allowed to see my brother, and it was not known if and when he would be charged," said Mr. Marquard.

10 POLICEMEN

Miss Judy Cousins, who also lives at 8th Avenue, Melville, said about 10 policemen had arrived at the house about 7.30 last night.

After a two-hour search they arrested her brother, Dr. Marquard and Miss Behrman. They also took "piles and piles" of literature, letters, two portable typewriters, a roll of copper wire and an expired United States passport belonging to Mr. Richard Rock, a Wits lecturer who lived at the house before being deported early this year.

The three African men arrested on Wednesday are Mr. Winston Soweto (21), a Soweto artist of world repute, Mr. Patrick Moelstane, a member of the cast of the musical "Phiri," and Mrs. Kerwin Chiya of Rockville, Johannesburg.

A spokesman for the office of the head of the Security Police, General "Tiny" Venter, said today the general confirmed that further arrests had been made.

"There will be no further comment," the spokesman said.