

Let Us Give Thanks . . .



Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase: So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst forth with new wine.

Proverbs 3:9, 10

Many Injured In Chem Fire At Yokohama

YOKOHAMA, Japan (AP)—A buildings were destroyed or damaged, and 376 persons were injured. There was only one confirmed death, but authorities did not rule out the possibility that more dead would be found.

Ag Chief Raps Plan

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—The federal government's new plan to get cranberries on the market was described as "utter nonsense" by state Agriculture Director Frank McKennon here Thursday.

"We will not be a party to this tomfoolery in which private concerns are permitted to have printed and to attach labels on berries tested and released by federal officials," he said.

He said the Food and Drug Administration labels on berries offered for sale and the impounding of Oregon berries is "comic opera."

"Fresh berries on the market are safe for human consumption; the fact that we permit them to be there is our guarantee to the people of Oregon," he said.

McKennon contended the National Cranberry Assn. sold out its Northwest members by impounding Washington and Oregon cranberries. He said the association failed to consult the Oregon department, which never found any Oregon berries contaminated.

McKennon described as significant "that the surgeon general of the United States has made no public statement."

U.S. Catholic Shrine To Be Dedicated Today

By JOHN DECKLER
WASHINGTON (AP)—A national shrine for the 36 million U.S. Roman Catholics is being dedicated here today with impressive ceremonies.

Mighty Hawaiian Volcano Spews Hot Lava Skyward

HONOLULU (AP)—A new volcano cone was born today as mighty Kilauea volcano spewed tons of glowing, molten lava and steaming rock 1,000 feet into the air from a week-old fiery vent.

'Noodle' Spat Continues

LONG BEACH, Calif. (AP)—The director of the Long Beach municipal band says clarinetist Herman Taffarella played solo parts so slowly that fellow musicians holding a sustained chord almost ran out of breath.

Taffarella, 66, was fired four months ago for allegedly noodling—playing warm-up scales—in inappropriate times.

The city civil service board, holding a hearing on his plea for reinstatement, was told Thursday by band director Charles J. Payne that Taffarella:

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Sucked on his clarinet, making "a very loud kissing noise," while another bandsman was soloing.

Twenty other witnesses are scheduled to testify for or against Taffarella.

New York was scheduled to dedicate the edifice and celebrate a solemn pontifical mass.

More than 200 members of the Catholic hierarchy, including cardinals, archbishops and bishops, are taking part in the dedication ceremonies which will last three days.

Vast and gleaming, the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception is the largest Catholic church in the United States and the seventh largest in the world.

The shrine is a blend of the Byzantine and Romanesque styles. From the ground to the top of its gold-tipped bell tower is 329 feet. The wall behind the altar is 439 feet from the entrance across 50,000 square feet of marble floor.

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He said the shrine was an "expression of the Catholic democracy of the United States and of the Catholics' love and devotion of Mary Immaculate."

Other special masses will be offered during the dedication period—one tonight by Richard Cardinal

Cushing of Boston and another Saturday by James Francis Cardinal McIntyre of Los Angeles.

Starting Monday, the shrine will be open to visitors daily.

Funds to build the shrine were donated by millions of Catholics. Construction began in 1922 but was halted for more than 20 years during the depression and World War II.

With its sheath of pale limestone and its lofty, blue-and-yellow tiled dome, the shrine dominates the northeast section of Washington. It is on the campus of Catholic University, three miles north of the Capitol.

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