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WORLD NEWS:

Half a million German Protestants, with pilgrims from all over the Christian world, come to Frankfurt-am-Main for Evangelical Church Day. There is even a representative of the East German Government, and 25,000 people from the Eastern Zone; for the message of this huge gathering is an appeal for the reunification of Germany, and for peace throughout the world.

The chiming of bells heralds the closing service. Prayers are said by Bishop Debalius, President of the Evangelical Church.

Look down in mercy O God, upon our divided people; Thou canst restore our freedom again unto us. We pray Thee, bring peace to the world; and let the day soon come when we shall once more be united;

In Cali, Colombia, an industrial town near the Pacific coast, truckloads of rescue workers rush to the scene of the greatest disaster in the republic's history - an explosion which has reduced eight city blocks to rubble in a few seconds. It happened when seven Army trucks, loaded with government dynamite, exploded where they had been parked overnight.

Estimates of the dead range as high as twelve hundred people. No one knows yet what set off the dynamite, but Colombia's President, Gustavo Pinilla, comes to Cali, and declares the disaster a treacherous criminal conspiracy. Damage alone is put at over fourteen million pounds.

In the Lenin Central Stadium, Moscow, a hundred thousand gather to watch the Tournament of Nations of the U. S. S. R. Bulganin, Khrushchev and other Government leaders are present, as 600 schoolchildren open the display, waving long coloured ribbons which make a brilliant pattern on the huge arena.

These children are from Moscow schools, and their display gives a welcome to thousands of athletes from each of the 15 Soviet republics who are here to take part in the various events. Hundreds of local contests and tournaments have been held to select athletes for the honour of taking part in this culminating programme, organised to mark Soviet Physical Culture Day.

Finally, the rippling lines of athletes form themselves into a solid rectangle, to display the Soviet national emblem, the five-pointed star.

You never know what a motor-cycle will do till you try beating hell out of it. For titles, for big prizes, some chaps will try anything - even turning a motor-bike into a submarine - but to these riders, it's just a job of work. They're employed by a German manufacturer who wants to make sure his products really work, so they ride them over the roughest bits of Germany they can find, just to prove it.

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Well, whatever the verdict, on the bikes, it certainly proves that the riders are tough!

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