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The Major Events of the Day

International

In one of the most colorful ceremonies seen in Rome in years, Pope Paul VI, in a canonization mass yesterday in St. Peter's Square declared Mother Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton a saint. She is the first American-born saint. About 100,000 persons attended the ceremony. Among them were some 16,000 Americans. [Page 1, Columns 4-7.]

The General Assembly's special session on the plight of the third world moved toward a grim end, with United Nations delegates working around the clock in search of a formula for narrowing the chasm between rich and poor countries. The chief United States delegate, Daniel P. Moynihan, said that the situation at the final stage of the session, which began two weeks ago, had "the making of failure." [1:1.]

A contagion of political and communal violence has spread a mood of almost helplessness foreboding in Lebanon. "We might just be watching the demise of a country as we know it," a Lebanese analyst of Middle East business affairs said. Tensions increased in Beirut, which has been struck by violence this spring and summer, when shooting and kidnapping broke out yesterday in skirmishes between Christians and Moslems. Four persons were reported killed. [1:2-3.]

"The Night Watch," one of Rembrandt's most famous paintings, was slashed more than a dozen times in Amsterdam's Rijksmuseum by a man armed with a serrated bread knife. The knife marks were more than two feet long and a section of the painting about seven feet wide was severely damaged. The damage, however, was not irreparable, a museum official said. [1:1-3.]

National

The new Federal Election Commission has suddenly become the target of the Senators and Representatives who established it because of what some of them regard as overzealousness in monitoring the office funds of Congressmen. The five-month-old commission is facing its first test of power by tackling the touchy issue of a little-known Congressional financial ploy formally known as "constituent service funds," which are more generally called "office slush funds." [1:2-3.]

The Department of Defense said that the per-plane price of the controversial F-14

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"Rejoice, we say to the great nation of the United States of America. Rejoice for your glorious daughter. Be proud of her"—Pope Paul VI speaking at the canonization of Mother Elizabeth Ann Boyley Seton. [1:6.]

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CORRECTIONS

In an Associated Press dispatch that appeared in The New York Times last Friday, it was incorrectly reported that W. A. Boyle, former president of the United Mine Workers, is serving a prison term for illegally using union funds in the 1968 election in support of President Nixon. The money involved supported Senator Hubert H. Humphrey and other persons.

• An article Saturday, describing a visit here by a trade delegation from China, referred incorrectly to "the Republic of China." The trade delegation was from mainland China.