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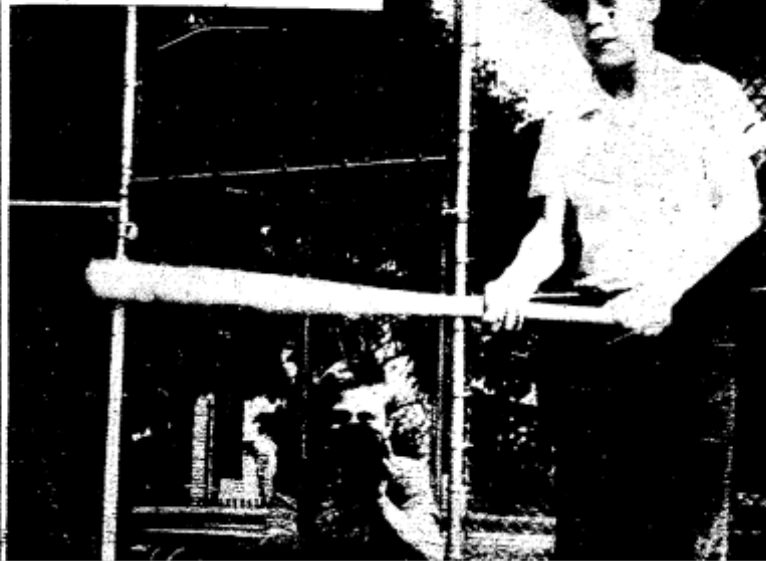
The grim toll was the lowest for the end-of-summer holiday since 1954.

New Jersey, however, tied for fifth place in the nation as its toll soared past predictions.

With local authorities in several states still compiling final totals, a United Press International tally showed 398 motorist and pedestrian deaths during the 78-hour, three-day weekend.

Deaths from other accidental causes between 6 p.m. (local

STILL IN GAME—Denis Petrucelli of Jersey City, plays baseball in School 11 playground. Blinded five months ago, he can still hit if ball is pitched in a specified area. (Van News Photo.)



It Happens

Unscheduled Bus Stop

LEICESTER, England (UPI) —A bus made an unscheduled stop here yesterday so conductor Michael Peers could pick up the false teeth he lost when a cough dislodged them.

Keeping Up With Junior

ARLINGTON, Va. (UPI) —Arlington schools have announced a new adult education course this fall for parents who complain of their children's homework. The course is called, "A Parent's Introduction to Modern Mathematics."

True Love Conquers All

GLEN COVE, N.Y. (UPI) —Robert A. Haughey Jr., Wall Street broker, said yesterday he



OUTSIDE LOOKING IN—Raymond McNerney, 5, of 572 Ave. C, Bayonne, can't wait for school to open tomorrow. Scene is at School 2, where Raymond will enter kindergarten.

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Proud

Boy Blinded at 10 Bests Handicap

By J. W. BRADSHAW

Denis Petrucelli was always a proud and patient youngster. Five months of blindness has not changed that.

The slight, blond 10-year-old now sees only shadows and often flickering explosions of light. "It's like being always in the dark," he says, "with sometimes a little bit of light far ahead."

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HE LOST HIS sight suddenly last March 16. While sitting at his desk in Jersey City's School 11, drawing posters, he went swiftly, painfully blind.

He said: "It just happened. All of a sudden I couldn't see the lines. It just went dark and they took me to see the principal."

It wasn't the first time Denis had been taken to see the principal. He had always been near-sighted and had often complained of not being able to see the blackboard — sometimes justifiably, sometimes to gain attention—so that his teachers assumed this was a prank.

But it wasn't.

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DENIS'S PARENTS, Mr. and

Mrs. Frank Petrucelli of 2103 Summit Ave. consulted several doctors, coming away each time with the same verdict—the case was hopeless. The boy would never see again. Doctors attributed his blindness to a bilateral detachment of the retina. There have been only three other cases like it in the country and it has never happened to a child before.

Denis returned to a home he would never see again. He was tense and irritable. "At first, he was confused. He didn't know why he couldn't see things," his mother, Elizabeth, said. He became more sensitive to objects and people and would sometimes cry, not knowing what to do."

"We didn't know what to do ourselves," she said. "We babied him in the beginning until he began demanding too much attention.

"We learned that it was not fair to pamper him. His greatest difficulty was learning to overcome his remoteness; so we treated him like his brothers and sisters. He was scolded as much as anyone—more because he always got into more trouble. If you treat him the same as anyone else, he's able to accept it more easily."

DENIS STILL feels the full weight of his affliction. But he had reacted to it with a bold resilience. He retains his pride and enthusiasm.

"You know, I won a prize for swimming this summer at camp," he said. "I was the only one."

He continues to play in the schoolyard every day with the other children. Passers-by are unaware of his blindness. He climbs the playground fence, fights with his sister, does many of the same things any other boy does.

He has always had a great belief in himself. He told his mother during his hospitalization that he wanted to become a doctor.

He felt it might enable him to discover the causes of his own blindness, and thereby help prevent it in others.

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THE YOUNG BOY has shown great courage and patience these five months. But the confused and blind loneliness is always in his mind. He still remembers what it was like to see.

"He's only a kid," said his mother. "Their sight means so much to them. He's only 10. He hasn't even seen anything of life."

Slit Skirts Unfair?

LONDON (UPI) — Eleven oriental girls today offered an olive branch to miffed British airline stewardesses who complained that the slit skirt gives Asian females unfair advantage.

"We only want to be friendly," said Eika Yoneya, a 21-year-old Japanese girl who started a British Overseas Airways Corp. training course for stewardesses, with 10 other Asians.

What irked the British girls was that they must wear the standard tailored uniform, while the oriental girls are allowed to wear their native cheongams and kimonos.

Integration At a Glance

By United Press International

LITTLE ROCK — Forty-eight Negroes enter five schools in city where federal troops once enforced desegregation order.

ATLANTA — Nine Negroes begin fourth day of integrated classes. Ku Klux Klan rally in City Park put under police watch.

NEW ORLEANS — Police keep sharp watch on registration day activities at six schools marked for integration.

Parents Want Children Moved

NEW YORK (UPI) — A group of Negro parents was expected to attempt today to have their children transferred from a predominantly Negro school in their neighborhood to a school in another neighborhood.

The group said it was not satisfied with the school its children must attend while awaiting completion of a new neighborhood school.

School officials indicated the transfers would not be approved.

It Isn't A Boom, but It's Good

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Americans went back to their workaday routine today after a long Labor Day weekend amid prospects the economy is expanding briskly. But three important question marks hung over the economic scene.

The usual fall business upturn was expected to continue through 1962, creating job opportunities for some of the 4.5 million unemployed. Tax receipts were expected to soar, helping offset increased defense spending.

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Manville III, He's in 'Fair' Condition

NEW YORK (UPI) — Much married asbestos heir Tommy Manville is in fair condition at Doctors Hospital, a spokesman said today.

Manville, 66, was hospitalized six days ago, his 11th wife announced yesterday. One of the attending physicians reported Manville is suffering from a blood infection.

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MRS. MANVILLE, a 21-year-old ex-waitress, said her husband had been ill for the past eight weeks, running a high fever. Nineteen doctors have treated Manville, or have been called in as consultants, she said.

Manville, who lives on an estate in Chappaqua, N.Y., was taken to a White Plains hospital several weeks ago as a result of the fevers, Mrs. Manville said. An ambulance carried him to Doctors Hospital last week.

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MANVILLE MARRIED for the first time at the age of 17. He's been married 13 times to 11 wives, having remarried two.

He met the current Mrs. Manville, the former Christina Erdlen, who was born in West Germany, while she was working in a White Plains restaurant. They were married Jan. 11, 1960.

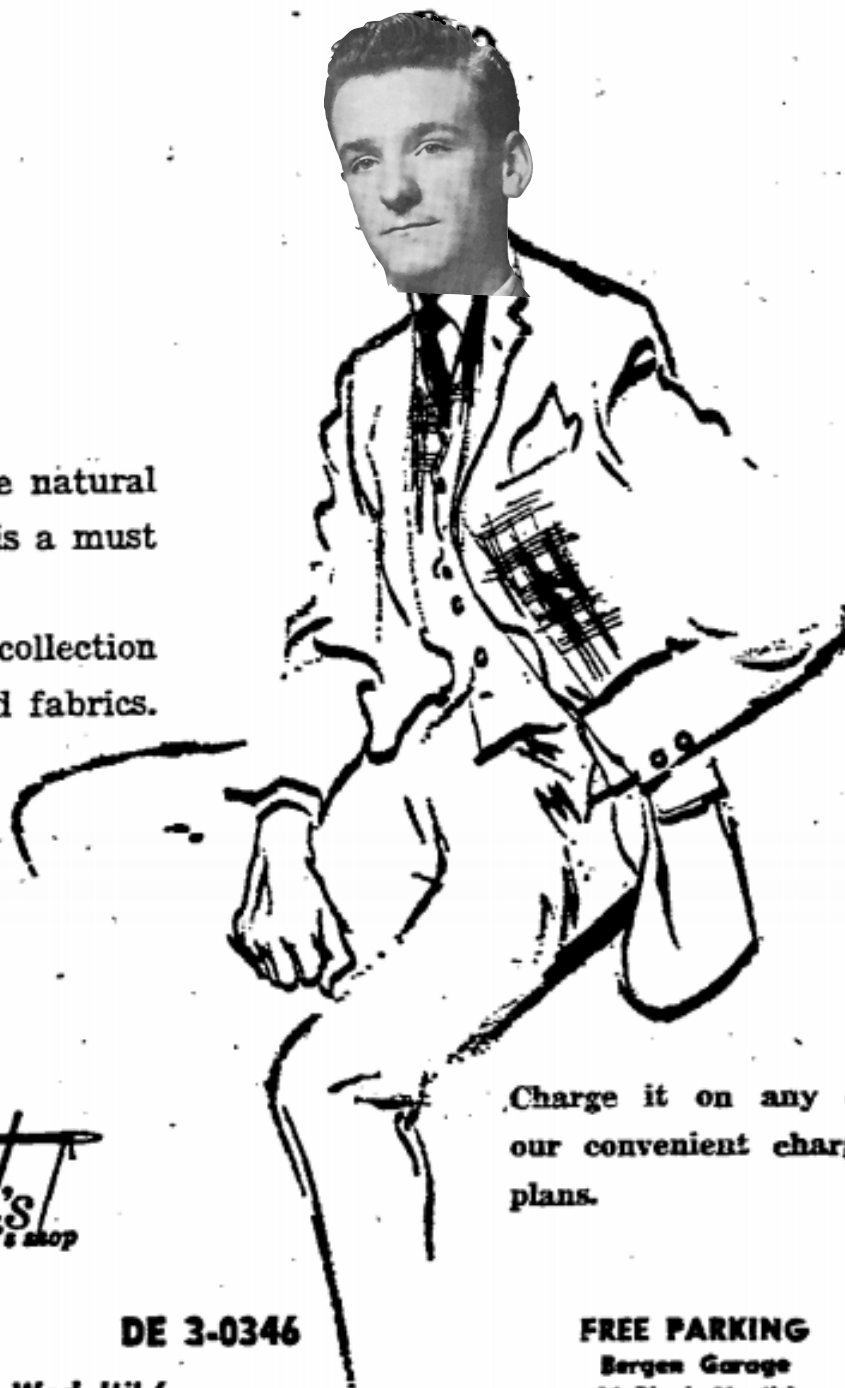


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He's the News

New Hospital Executive 'Won't Rock Boat'

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That's the axiom Paul J. Hanly will apply as he takes over as acting superintendent of Pollak Hospital, Jersey City.

As proof that he doesn't intend to "rock the boat," Hanly, a World War II coast guardsman made a quiet and methodical tour of Pollak Hospital today while most of his workers were racing to the beaches.

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'IT WAS a lot easier that way," said Hanly, 47, the son-in-law of Hudson County Democratic leader John V. Kenny.

"I had the chance to go through the building without meeting too many of the workers and hearing gripes. Now I have a knowledge of the building for any future inspection tours," he said.

Hanly, who rose from a guard to deputy - warden of the Hudson County Penitentiary in 23 years, said however he will apply the same tight reins to the hospital administration which worked so well at the prison.



PAUL J. HANLY

'A DAY'S PAY for a day's work," is the message he will convey to the workers at the hospital.

Appointed to the post of acting superintendent by the Board of Freeholders Thursday, Hanly said he will work toward improving the hospital with the aid of federal and state funds. He said he has already started by making some connections in Washington for U.S. aid to expand the upper floors of the hospital.

A native of Jersey City, Hanly returned from the Coast Guard in 1945 and attended John Marshall College in Journal Square. County Prosecutor Lawrence A. Whipple was one of his classmates.

Hanly married Catherine Kenny in 1938 and has three children, John, 22, Margo, 20 and Paul, 10. One of his favorite pastimes is reading and applying do-it-yourself kits around his summer home in Deal and his Jersey City residence, 131 Kensington Ave.

For sporting activities such as handball and swimming Hanly often goes to the New York Athletic Club. He is also a regular churchgoer at St. Aloysius Roman Catholic Church.

St. Peter's Set to Open

The academic year at St. Peter's Prep begins tomorrow with the welcoming of 275 freshmen students to the downtown Jersey City high school.

A three-day orientation and spiritual retreat program has been planned for the boys, who represent 56 north and central Jersey communities.

The Rev. Francis J. Shalloe, S.J., student counselor, will direct the spiritual exercises, with the Rev. Joseph Browne, S.J., newly-appointed principal, leading the orientation sessions.

Classroom work for freshmen and upperclassmen will commence on Monday, Father Browne announced. He also set Sept. 15 as the date of the traditional mass of the Holy Spirit, the Red Mass.

Church Holds Sports Night

Football coaches at St. Peter's Prep, Snyder, Ferris, Lincoln and Dickinson High Schools will be guests at the sports night of the Holy Name Society of St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church, Jersey City, Sept. 12 in the parish school hall, Old Bergen Road.

Other guests will be the pastor, Msgr. Leo L. Mahoney, former Judge William Timney, chairman for the recent archdiocesan high school drive which saw St. Paul's attain over \$390,000 to lead the archdiocese; Harold J. Ruvoldt, assistant county prosecutor and the Rev. John G. Hanley, society spiritual director, who will speak.



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Hollywood Story of Gen. Patton Will Be Put on Film

By LOUELLA O. PARSONS

HOLLYWOOD — The long sought after story of General George S. ('Blood and Guts') Patton Jr. sought by movie producers for 15 years since his death at last becomes a reality.

20th Century Fox has received a priority from the Department of Defense and the United States Army to film the story saga of the fiery general as famed for his temper as for his brilliant military mind. Peter Levathes, head of 20th, has turned over the production to General Frank McCarthy. No one could do a better job. Frank was secretary to General George C. Marshall during



Louella Parsons

World War II and made nay liaison visits to General Patton's headquarters during the war.

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NOW A BRIGADIER GENERAL in the Army Reserve, and also a long time executive at 20th, Frank has signed Robert S. Allen to write the profile treatment of General Patton as a basis for the screen play. Allen wrote "Tucky Forward," the story of Patton's drive across Europe.

A tip of the topper to wonderful Jane Darwell, now in her 80s and just getting over a broken ankle, who sends word with her typical sense of humor: "I'm going to have to be made up to look older for my part in the new "Real McCoy" TV shows because I play a woman 100 years old!" That's the spirit I like to hear from the gals, Jane.

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Co-Starring

The Journal Pre-Views Tonight's TV

7:30 4 LARAMIE

An ordinary varmint named Sam Jarrad (R. G. Armstrong) has a warrant for the arrest of Jess Harper (Bob Fuller). Sam shows up at the Sherman Ranch to take Jess back to Colorado to face a murder charge. Jarrad is a fast man with a gun and a former bounty hunter who expects to collect a reward for Jess. There's an exciting scene in quicksand. (Repeat, 1 hour.)

8:00 7 THE RIFLEMAN

When hoof and mouth disease wipe out the cattle in North Fork, some residents desert the town. Lucas McCain (Chuck Connors) has roots that go deeper than that, but he needs money to stay. For this reason he accepts a dangerous undercover assignment in Wyoming, without telling his son Mark (Johnny Crawford) why he is leaving.

8:30 2 DOBIE GILLIS

Dobie's mother (Florida Friebus) is a contest buff. She never wins but she enters every one she can find—including a contest with a round trip bus trip for two to the Okefenokee Swamp as first prize.

TV Tonight and Tomorrow

TUESDAY EVENING

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| <p>6:00 4 News, Weather.
7 News — Bill Shadel.
11 Popeye.
13 I Led 3 Lives — The Party decides to recruit promising student.</p> <p>6:15 7 News — Scott Vincent.</p> <p>6:20 7 Weather — Penny Wright.</p> <p>6:25 7 Sports — Howard Cosell.</p> <p>6:30 4 News — Gabe Pressman.
5 Cartoons.
7 Funny Manns.
11 Quick Draw McGraw.
13 Movie — "Magnificent Ambersons."</p> <p>6:40 4 Weather — Pat Herson.</p> <p>6:45 4 News — Huntley - Brinkley.</p> <p>7:00 2 News — Prescott Robinson.
4 Phil Silvers — Bilko and sidekicks buy an ailing racehorse. (Repeat.)
5 Commando 9 — Man strolls in the park, runs into a nightmare.
7 Expedition New York — "New York With Love." Words of the poets describe tour of New York. Lee Grant, Kevin McCarthy.
9 Terrytoons.
11 News — Kevin Kennedy.</p> <p>7:00 2 News — Prescott Robinson.</p> <p>7:05 2 News — Ron Cochran.</p> <p>7:10 2 Weather — Carol Reed.
11 News — John Tillman.</p> <p>7:15 2 News — Douglas Edwards.</p> <p>7:25 11 Weather — Gloria Okon.</p> <p>7:30 2 Brothers Brannigan — The boys babysit with gov't scientist's daughter, find microfilms of secret data, in chess piece. (Repeat.)
4 Laramie — "Badge of the Outsider." Slim risks life to help gang leader accused of murder. (Repeat, 1 hr.)
5 Tightrope — Mike assigned to trap master criminal.
7 Bugs Bunny — Sylvester Jr. fears little kangaroo is giant mouse: Bugs Bunny in Jack and the Beanstalk.
9 Movie — "Escapade."
11 Sportsman Club.</p> <p>7:45 11 Sports — Red Barber.</p> <p>7:55 11 Baseball — Senators vs. Yankees.</p> <p>8:00 2 Father Knows Best — Kathy's unrequired dream of getting a pony shakes her up.</p> | <p>7 Wyatt Earp — "The Big Fight at Total Wreck." Wyatt's attempt to keep peace among miners leads to trouble. (Repeat.)</p> <p>13 Betty Furness Show. (90 mins.)</p> <p>9:00 2 Comedy Spotlight — "Miracle at the Opera" Ed Wynn. Musician's dog sings "Siegfried" at operatic performance when the prima donna loses her voice. (Repeat.)
4 Thriller — "Terror in Teakwood." Pianist desecrates grave of his rival. (Repeat, 1 hr.)
5 Wrestling. (2 hrs.)
7 Stagecoach West — "House of Violence." Outlaw holds passengers hostage and sends Luke to town for supplies. Repeat, 1 hr.)
9 Movie — "Death of a Scoundrel."</p> <p>9:30 2 Playhouse 90 — "Journey to the Day." Janice Rule, Mary Astor, Mike Nichols, James Gregory. Six persons involved in group psychotherapy in state mental hospital. (Repeat, 90 mins.)</p> <p>10:00 4 Purex Special — "The Margaret Bourke-White Story." Teresa Wright, Eli Wallach. Famed woman photographer's fight against Parkinson's disease. (Repeat, color, 1 hr.)
7 Alcoa Presents — "Signal Received." Three sailors have premonition their ship will be sunk. (Repeat.)
13 Movie — "The Flesh and the Spur."</p> <p>10:30 7 Dangerous Robin — Robin sent to Spain to recover stolen statue. (Repeat.)</p> <p>10:50 11 Sports — Red Barber.</p> <p>11:00 2 News — Prescott Robinson.
4 News — John M. McCaffery.
5 News.
7 Final News.
9 Movie — "Escapade."
11 News — John Tillman.</p> <p>11:10 4 Weather — Tex Antoine.
5 PM East — "The Modern Jazz Quartet." Discussion by Nat Hentoff, John Lewis, Milt Jackson, Percy Heath, Connie Kay. (1 hr.)</p> <p>11:12 2 Weather — Carol Reed.
7 Weather — Jan Crockett.</p> <p>11:15 2 Movie — "Till the Clouds Roll By."
4 Jack Paar Show — Guests include: Henry Morgan, Orson Bean is host. (Color, 105 mins.)</p> |
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JOURNAL SPORTS

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Nixon Scores Hole in One

WEST LOS ANGELES (U:I)—
It's the greatest thrill of my life," said former Vice President Richard Nixon yesterday. Nixon had just scored a hole in one at the Bel-Air Country Club, using a five-iron on the 155-yard third hole.

He was playing with actor Randolph Scott, former Rep. Donald Jackson and C. G. Rebozo.

Sportrait

Dempsey Remembers 'Merciful Knockout'

By JACK CUDDY

Chatting about the holiday weekend, Jack Dempsey disclosed today that Labor Day always makes him feel a little sad because of the merciful knockout he had to deliver to a sick friend 41 years ago.

"It happened on Labor Day, 1920," Jack recalled, while having coffee in his Broadway restaurant. "I knocked out my pal, Billy Miske, as quickly as I could — with a left hook to the chin in the third round at Benton Harbor, Mich. — so I wouldn't have to hurt him."

JACK EMPHASIZED that the Miske match was one he hadn't wanted to take because pal Billy of St. Paul, Minn., had recently started a comeback after having been hospitalized more than a year with Bright's Disease.

"Before his illness and before I had won the title," Jack continued, "Miske and I had fought twice in no-decision affairs that had gone the distance. He was a really fine boxer; but more than that, he was a grand guy and I liked him very much."

Billy was 26 at the time, Jack recalled, and he looked like a college boy — with his brown, crew-cut hair; but he was gradually dying. Moreover, his costly illness — coupled with his lay-off from the ring — had left him "broke," with a wife and children on his hands. He needed money in a hurry.



JACK DEMPSEY

Tigers Might As Well Concede to Yogi, Yankees

Outfield Gems Help Lift Lead Top Senators In Twin Bill

By JACK LANG

Now that Yogi Berra is making like Joe DiMaggio in the outfield, isn't it about time the Tigers conceded?

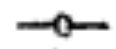
Twice over the weekend Yogi, who spent most of his major league life behind the plate, pulled defensive gems in the outfield to help the Yankees beef up their lead in what only a few days ago was a tight pennant race.



A GREAT THROW from the outfield snuffed out a Tiger rally in Friday night's game and yesterday the Yogi men went into left as a defensive replacement (of all things) in the eighth inning of the second game and pulled off a catch that enabled the Yanks to sweep a pair from the Senators, 5-3 and 3-2.

There were two out, a man on and the Yanks leading by a slim one run margin when Bob Johnson lined a shot to right in the ninth inning that had home run written all over it.

But with all the aplomb of a DiMaggio, Mantle or Maris, Berra raced back, stuck up his gloved hand and plucked the line drive out of the seats.



"IT WAS ONE helluva catch," beamed a relieved Ralph Houk. "I don't say it was the kind of catch Yogi is going to make every day but he made it today and that's what counts."

What also counts is that the Yanks won both games and boosted their league lead to 6 games—their biggest bulge of the season.

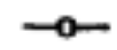
They did it, too, without a bit of help from the M & M squad, if you discount the six fly balls Roger Maris caught in center field on the long and muggy afternoon.



ROGER WENT to bat eight times in the two games and only on his eighth trip did he succeed in getting a ball out of the infield. He hit only one foul into the right field stands all afternoon and that wasn't even close to being a homer.

The pitchers have begun to work differently on Rog and he's getting few pitches he can pull. Four of the eight times he hit the ball yesterday, it wound up on the left side of second base.

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"Those frontrunners," he sneered. "You get just a few hits and they're all against you."

In right field, where he normally plays, there is a regular band of fans who jeer him all the time and shout obscenities. The same fans must have moved over into the bleachers yesterday because Maris played center field in Mantle's absence and was subjected to similar insults.

IN GOING HOMERLESS in the two games, Maris' edge over the Ruth record narrowed down to five games

Mantle, who was unable to play except for a brief defensive appearance in the final inning of the first game, now is even with Ruth's record after 138 games.

Both boys better get busy if they're going to catch the Ruth ghost because in 1927 when he hit 60 homers, Ruth walloped the Yankees in each of his 139th and 140th games.

Dallas Open

Did Palmer Beat Self Or Lose to Stewart?

By ED FITE

DALLAS, Tex. (UPI)—Earl Stewart Jr., the first bona fide host pro ever to win a PGA tour stop, said today he wasn't sure whether he beat Arnold Palmer for the \$4,300 Dallas Open crown or whether Palmer beat himself.

The scoreboard showed that the 153-pound red-haired Texan toured his own Oak Cliff County Club's par 35-35-70 layout in two-under-par 278 figures for the 72 holes, while Palmer wound up with a 279 and tie for second with fast-closing Gay Brewer of Crystal River, Fla., and Doug Sanders of Ojai, Calif.

THAT RUNNERUP deadlock was worth \$2,233.34 to the trio and pared Palmer's deficit in his battle for top money winnings with Gary Player to \$3,238.52. Player, who finished in a seven-way tie for 13th here to win \$714.28, now has official money winnings of \$61,115.45 to \$57,732.93 for Palmer.

Sanders, who shot the tournament's hottest round with his closing 31-35-66, boosted his third-place standings to \$50,913.24—far ahead of the rest of the money winning field.

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September

Summer begins to wear thin and now comes the time of brooding blue and gold days. Shaggy clouds wander haphazardly across the sky and a purple haze covers upland heights and mountain shoulders.

Nights are cool and invigorating. One of these mornings gray frost will powder the lowlands and when a man walks his garden in mid-forenoon, the limp leaves of squashes, melons and tomatoes will announce the end of a gardening season.

Autumn stretches its long arm and gently but authoritatively taps Summer on the shoulder. It is time to move along to another season. You know it from the blue asters' faces that match the blue of the sky; you know it from the glow of goldenrod that reflects the gold of the sun.

Color changes come to the countryside, and the scarlet of woodbine and the wine-red of sumac candles are signs of the approaching equinox. Corn shocks march across the fields and piles of golden pumpkins are heaped against the south sides of weathered barns.

September is a month of good flavor. You can smell the ripening apples and the frosted wild grapes, and the fragrance of rich garden soil is pleasantly pungent in the nostrils. Wildlife is readying for the cold months and each day flocks of birds wing through on the way to the southland.

The sun sinks nearly west these days and hours of light and hours of darkness are about equal. Year is sliding down the slope to the nadir, but for many the weeks just ahead are the best part of the year. As one savors their goodness, he can store a harvest in the heart to help carry him through the time of cold and ice.

Breakfast With Nikita

DREW PEARSON

WASHINGTON — A lot of people have asked me what it was like to spend some time with Premier Khrushchev at his summer home, what we ate for dinner, what his house was like, whether Mrs. Khrushchev was there, and all the other details.

The interview with Khrushchev started beside the swimming pool, and continued from 4 o'clock until 8, by which time the sun had started to go down over the Black Sea, and its waters, usually very blue in this part of the Soviet Republic of Georgia, had become black indeed.



Drew Pearson

Suddenly, the No. 1 leader of the Communist world said: "Let's go for a swim and then have dinner. We can swim in the pool where McCloy (Kennedy's disarmament adviser) and I swam or we can go in the sea."

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WE CHOSE THE SEA. En route to the bathhouse, Nikita Khrushchev explained that he couldn't swim very well. "The only water I knew as a boy was surface water in the mines of the Ukraine. So I wear a belt."

He offered his guests a belt. Mrs. Pearson is a good swimmer and diplomatically I did not tell the chairman of the Supreme Soviet Council that I had been captain of the swimming team in college.

In the bathhouse, Khrushchev pointed to a phone beside a lounge. "A direct line to the White House," he said, joking and referring to the fact that a magazine had urged a direct line between Kennedy and Khrushchev in order to head off sudden nuclear war.

The water was delightful but Khrushchev stayed in until I was chilly. I couldn't admit that a onetime expert capitalist swimmer could not outlast a Communist amateur, however, so I remained until Khrushchev got out. As he got out, he took off the little tube around his waist and said: "You see I can swim without a tube too." Then he gave a brief demonstration by paddling around the dock for a minute or two.

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VICTIM OF HIGHWAY SLAUGHTER

