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Scorched Plaza Open, Minus Fifty Rooms

Delays Repairs For Investigation

One third of the rooms in the Plaza Hotel in Jersey City, today are unusable due to yesterday's fire.

Twenty-five rooms on the fifth floor were scorched by the blaze or ruined by smoke. Twenty-five other rooms on all floors were made unusable either by smoke or water damage.

The three-alarm fire, first reported at 1:33 p.m. yesterday, scorched Room 305 and other nearby rooms so badly that, in the words of one hotel employee, they looked as if "somebody had used a flamethrower."

Officially, officials said the cause of the fire was undetermined and the damage unestimated.

Hotel officials said repairs to the rooms and an official damage estimate must await investigation by the hotel's insurance company. No one made an unofficial estimate, either.

Glimpse of Arctic — Mr. and Mrs. James Albarino of 928 Bleecker St., Jersey City, look at film slides of Arctic sent them by son, Edward, from seats of summer job in polar region. (Van News Photo.)

It Happens

Costly Exercise

READING, England (UPI) — When Michael Douglas, a doctor, told him to exercise, he took up archery. Douglas was fined $50 for shooting a arrow with his bow and arrow.

Burglars Go Hunting

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (UPI) — State Police Capt. Richard Butterman blames a rash of thefts of small arms from sporting goods stores partly on the fact that the hunting season is on.

In What Direction?

ATLANTIC CITY — Howard C. Arehart, executive secretary of the National Funeral Directors Association, will speak here next week at the New Jersey Funeral Directors convention on "Where Do We Go From Here?"

Handy Whodunit

NEW BERLIN, Wis. (UPI) — Waushau County Sheriff Harold Wolfe was speaking on better law enforcement in a restaurant when a waitress complained that someone swiped the battery from her car parked outside.
JFK Pledges Space Spurt

HOUSTON (UPI)—Vowing that "we shall be first" in the space race with Russia, President Kennedy paused in a two-day tour of installations today to spell out this country's intentions in detail.

The Chief Executive was scheduled to talk about "man's conquest of space"—or more particularly America's efforts along that line—in a speech at the 73,000-seat Rice University stadium here.

Sinatra In Hospital

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) — Crooner-actor Frank Sinatra entered a hospital yesterday for observation of an undisclosed nature, expected to last several days.
Hudson Dems Bid for JFK At Dinner

By NAT BERG

The possibility that President Kennedy will make at least one campaign appearance in New Jersey this fall in behalf of Democratic congressional candidates today had the state-level leaders putting in their bids for a Kennedy visit.

A source close to John V. Kenny said the Hudson County Democratic Organization's $50 per plate dinner Nov. 1 at the Jersey City Armory has been suggested as a logical one for the President's appearance.

Plans have already been made for Presidential appearances in nearby New York, Connecticut and Pennsylvania, according to a National Democratic Committee spokesman in Washington.

Political pundits believe that the important international assignments carried out by Rep. Cornelius E. Gallagher of Bayonne, who is running for re-election in the 13th district, will weigh heavily with the President's campaign advisors in picking his New Jersey appearance.

Asked whether an appearance in New Jersey might be planned as "political" or "non-political," one campaign official in Washington said the President's "non-political" tours have included such activities as dedication of a dam in California.

"But I don't know of any dams in New Jersey that need dedicating," he said.
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PREP MOTHERS SHINE—Members of the committee planning Sunday afternoon's opening tea to be given by the Mothers Club of St. Peter's Prep School polish the silver service in the school cafeteria, Jersey City. Here are Mrs. John Hill, Mrs. Thomas Torpey, chairman; Mrs. Stanley Lempa, president; and Mrs. John Fallon. (Van News Photo.)
King Fears Negroes Will Retaliate

ATLANTA (UPI)—Negro leader Martin Luther King Jr. warned President Kennedy that many Negroes are arming themselves and may turn to "retaliatory violence" unless the federal government acts to stop a "reign of terror" in the South.

"I will continue to urge my people to be nonviolent in the face of bitterest opposition, but I feel my counsel will fall on deaf ears if the federal government does not take decisive action," King said in a telegram to the President last night.

'Gravely Disturbed'

The Baptist minister, who heads the integrationist Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) said he was "gravely disturbed by the rash of inhuman developments across the South."

APPROVED — The U.S. Senate swiftly passed the judgeship nomination of Negro leader Thurgood Marshall in Washington after a final attempt by a small band of Southern legislators to reject his appointment.
The Journal Pre-Views Tonight's TV

7:30 4 WAGON TRAIN

The final repeat of the season. Next week this show moves (same night and same time) to ABC with a new series. Brandon de Wilde and Michael Burns are the guests here in a fairly suspenseful episode about a wave of petty thefts that sweep the train. The best part, however, comes from Frank McGrath's reaction to a cooked up plot from which he is kept free of knowledge because his face is such a giveaway. (Repeat, 1 hour.)

8:00 7 FOCUS ON AMERICA

The final show in the series and one that will hold great interest to anyone who has ever visited the fair city of San Francisco. It's called "Canton West" and it is a study of the growth and development of the huge Chinatown that adds so much to the color of the city.

8:30 2 CHECKMATE

Don Taylor, who has been directing late, liked the role "The Someday Man" so much that he gave up a directing job to take it. Author Richard De Roy has created an intriguing actor in Chip Damion, a once-famous football player who glories in remembering the old days and who figures he'll straighten out his "life someday." Now he is deeply in debt and caught in a squeeze play which is set up to make him: corrupt someone he doesn't want to corrupt. (Repeat, 1 hour.)

9:00 4 MYSTERY THEATER

"Change of Heart" is an old-fashioned whodunit, which is also a pilot for a series. The murder method in this show, involving falls from high places in seemingly deserted buildings, is ingenious, even if the solution is a bit far out. Robert Middleton plays a blind detective, Donald May is his assistant and Russ Conway is the police inspector. (1 hour.)

9:30 2 THE DICK VAN DYKE SHOW

This is the second show to feature Dick's brother, Jerry, and it more or less takes up where it left off last week. Don't worry if you missed that episode, though, there is a recap of the problem stated in the opening scene. Jerry is a very funny fellow and the show is properly fast-paced. Most of the time is devoted to a party at which everyone gets a chance to perform. Dick and Mary Tyler Moore are a charming couple as they duet "Mountain Greenery." (Repeat.)

10:00 7 NAKED CITY

"The One Marked Hot Gives Cold" is a powerful drama about a young man named L. (for Love) Francis Childs (Robert Duval) who robs the files of the orphanage where he grew up (and also steals $4.32 from the cash-box), in order to find his father. Childs' one friend is a young girl who believes that parents have to be good, and it is this friendship that causes a vindictive landlady to make a vile accusation to the police against the young man. Edward Andrews is memorable as the sniveling weakling who is the boy's father. (Repeat, 1 hour.)

10:00 2 STEEL HOUR

"The Inner Panic" is a nice story in which, for once, nearly all the people involved with a sensitive young man are understanding. Tommy Sands plays a boy who stutters when he is trying to make a good impression. We follow him as he seeks, finds (with his mother's help) and nearly loses a job in a mail room. Simon Oakland is very good as the kindly boss who sympathizes with the youngster, and Cynthia Pepper is the pleasant young girl who helps him. Glenda Farrell plays the boy's mother. She and Sands give very good performances. (1 hour.)
TV Tonight and Tomorrow

WEDNESDAY EVENING

6:00  4 News, Weather.
      7 News—Ron Cochran.
      11 Three Stooges—Firehouse.
6:15  7 News—Scott Vincent.
6:20  7 Weather—Rosemary Haley.
6:25  7 Sports—Howard Cosell.
6:30  4 News—Gabe Pressman.
      5 Mickey Mouse Club—“Anything Can Happen Day.”
      7 Blue Angels—New Angels’ skipper recalls the Korean bombings.
      11 Brave Stallion—“Feeling His Oats.”
6:40  4 Weather—Pat Hernon.
6:45  4 News—Huntley, Brinkley.
7:00  2 News—Douglas Edwards.
      4 Death Valley Days—“The Reluctant Gun.” Attorney uses extreme methods to save a life.
      5 The Aquanauts—“Secret at Half Moon Key.” The boys refuse a job to go skin-diving with lovelies. (1 hr.)
      7 Shannon—Sleuth proves theft of expensive diamond tipped drills.
      9 Merrytoons.
      11 News—Kevin Kennedy.
7:10  2 Weather—Carol Reed.
5 News—John Tillman.
7:15  2 News—Walter Cronkite.
7:25  11 Weather—Gloria Okon.
7:30  2 Previews—Roundup of seven coming programs. Jack Webb, host.
      4 Wagon Train.
      11 Wanted: Dead or Alive—Josh is caught in middle of kangaroo courtmartial.
10:00 2 U.S. Steel Hour—“The Inner Panic.”
      4 Play Your Hunch—Guests: Erroll Garner, Dick Powell. (Color)
      7 Naked City.
      9 Harness Racing—From Roosevelt Raceway.
10:30 4 Brinkley’s Journal—Discussion of Cambodia’s prosperous neutrality and British Guiana’s Communist trend. (Color, repeat)
      9 Movie—“Frankenstein, 1970.”
      11 Best of Groucho.
11:00 2 News—Douglas Edwards.
      4 News.
      5 News.
      7 News—Bill Shadell.
      11 Steve Allen Show—Guests include: Sandy Garner. (90 mins.)
11:10 4 Weather—Tex Antoine.
      5 Movie—“Four Sons.”
      7 News, Weather, Sports.
11:12 2 Weather—Carol Reed.
11:15 2 Movie—“A Doctor’s Diary.”
      4 Tonight—Guests: Joe E. Ross and Fred Gwynne, Harison Salisbury, Mervyn LeRoy, Pat Carroll, Lambert Hendrick and Bavan. Art Linkletter, host. (Color, 105 mins.)
Dodgers Win, Stay In Front Berra Hero For Yankees

By MILTON RICHMAN

Maury Wills is going like 90 and Yogi Berra is going on .38, but at their present rate they'll wind up in a dead heat—in the World series.

Wills, who looks like a cinch to crack Ty Cobb's modern major league record of 96 stolen bases within a single season, pilfered his 90th for the Los Angeles Dodgers last night in a 3-1 victory over the Chicago Cubs.

THE VICTORY kept the Dodgers a half-game ahead of the surging San Francisco Giants, who had blanked the Pittsburgh Pirates, 2-0, earlier in the afternoon.

Whereas Wills helped keep the Dodgers atop the National League with his feet, Yogi enabled the Yankees to boost their American League lead to four games with his bat.
Once Again Berra Shows Baseball Fans Why He's 'Mr. Yankee'

By CHARLES FEENEY
Jersey Journal Correspondent

CLEVELAND — Now you knew it would happen sooner or later down the stretch, didn't you?

So even the Yankee haters couldn't be too surprised when Lawrence Peter Berra got a clutch hit to win a ball game.

It was Berra’s home run — in the 10th inning — that beat the Tigers, 8-7, last night and enabled the Yankees to carry a four-game lead over the now second-place Angels.

BERRA, WHO IS beginning to look more than his 37 years, takes these heroics in stride. He tries to cooperate with writers and occasionally he’ll come up with a funny line.

Yogi has hit 350 homers — many of them game-winners. He has been through numerous pennant races. Maybe, if the Yankees have to win on the last day of the season, Yogi will get excited. But heck, what’s so crucial about winning a ball game when they're 14 left to play? At least, that’s the way Yogi figures.

And besides, some kill-joy spoiled Yogi’s fun. He reminded him that the last time he hit a home run was on Aug. 22 in Los Angeles. It was off Dan Osinski and it beat the Angels, 4-3.

REMEMBER it, Yogi?

"Do I remember it," he said, "Sure do. We lost six straight after that game."

Even with the relatively comfortable first-place edge, the Yanks cannot afford a losing streak at this time.

Someone mentioned to Ralph Houk that the magic number for entrance into pennantville is 12.

"It feels like 112," the manager said without humor.

BERRA'S BLOW saved the Yankees an embarrassing evening. They had blown two leads during the three-hour and 40-minute struggle. They led, 4-0, but a five-run Detroit fourth ended that.

Then they scrimped and scratched for three runs in the eighth to go ahead, 7-5. Moments later — in the Detroit half — it was a tie ball game as Marshall Bridges, who had pitched nine relief innings Sunday against Boston, wasn't strong enough to protect the margin.

Bridges, Jim Coates, Rollie Sheldon — all of them failed. But there were mound heroes and there were hitting heroes besides Berra.

THE OBSCURE Tex Clevenger came out of the bullpen to keep the Yankees within reach in the fourth. He retired Rocky Colavito and Norm Cash with
Bud Daley threw blanks until the Yanks got back in the ball game. Then there was Jim Bouton, loser of five straight until last night. He pitched two scoreless innings and gained the victory.

And much earlier, there were big homers hit by Tony Kubek and Moose Skowron.

MAYBE, TO YOGI, it was just another ball game. But victories have been coming hard to the Yankees.

They haven’t taken charge, as so many had expected. They have held a nervous first-place lead for two weeks now.

But Yogi remembers the days when the Yanks went down to the last day with the Red Sox. He remembers the end result—Yankee victories.

He feels in this, his worst year (10 HRs—220 average) he still can earn his keep.

When the Floyd Patterson-Sonny Liston heavyweight championship bout flashes on the Stanley Theater screen on Sept. 25, it will mark the 10th time the Jersey City showhouse will have shown a major fight.

Stanley Manager Sam Conti, who has enjoyed full houses on several occasions in the past, expects that the Patterson-Liston bout will break all existing records at the Journal Square theater.

"WE HAVE 4,400 seats," he explains, "and I feel there will be a fan in each one come fight night." The Stanley had a full house for the Ray Robinson-Carmen Basilio fight and the Patterson-Ingemar Johansson fight, but the price scale was lower then.

The Stanley television screen is one of the largest in the nation and fans will get a better view than many ringside fans who attend the bout in Chicago, Conti says.
Let Kremlin Mourn

Some unthinking Americans probably felt an emotion akin to pity over the death of Robert A. Soblen in a London Hospital yesterday, even as the deaths of loyal Americans who served their country in peace and war, went unheeded.

This is due to high speed communications, which created the image of a leukemia victim on the run, desperate to avoid a life sentence in the United States. Perhaps some felt a small twinge of guilt at our mighty nation trying to close in on a single ailing individual.

Actually, Soblen was a cool resourceful enemy of the United States, who came here to destroy us. After he was caught, he had a scrupulously fair trial and was convicted as a Soviet spy. This calm gambler knew all the medical risks involved when he took the drugs that killed him in his final attempt to escape justice.

As a dedicated spy for the Reds, Soblen was an active enemy of freedom, who plotted and schemed and worked against human rights and dignity.

If tears are shed for such a man, let those he served so well in the Kremlin shed them.