

HERE'S ONE — Little 2-year-old Kathy Foley of Somerville, Mass., appears lost in a sea of large pumpkins in Boston's Dock Square. Like most youngsters Kathy wanted to make sure she had her pumpkin in time for Halloween. — UPI Telephoto

Fair Opens Indian Summer Hikes Fire Danger Across U.S.

Heliport, Restaurant

NEW YORK (UPI) — One of the major 1964 New York World's Fair buildings, a heliport-restaurant, opened six months early Tuesday night with a gala society ball followed by a day of inauguration ceremonies.

The port authority heliport and "Top of the Fair" restaurant received a rousing sendoff from 700 patrons of the Travelers Aid Society. It is the first completed fair building and will be open from now on for visitors who wish to watch the progress of the fair's construction.

Rising like a flying saucer on legs 120 feet above the fair ground, the glamorous exhibition rendezvous was a distinct feat with first-nighters. Circular picture windows provided the revelers with a panoramic view of fair buildings under construction and the distant skyscrapers of Manhattan.

Starting this morning, visitors can make the helicopter trip from Manhattan to the fair heliport in six minutes, the public restaurant seating 1,200 at a time, the Terrace Club for VIP guests of the fair corporation,

By United Press International
Fire flared across much of the nation's parched woodland and prairie today and a smoldering Indian summer drought showed no signs of easing. Hunters and campers were barred from thousands of acres of withered land. Water supplies dwindled and many fall crops were crippled by the unseasonable heat and lack of rain.

Kansas won some respite from the dry spell with heavy rain during the night. Nearly 1½ inches fell at Salina, Kan., .72 inch at Russell and .76 at Emporia.

Miami, Fla., received more than one inch of rain in six hours.

The weather bureau forecast another sunny, warm day for most of the nation although light afternoon showers were predicted for parts of the Midwest.

The drought has plagued some areas for weeks, others for months. It has sparked fires or caused "incendiary" conditions in the forests and fields of at least 13

states from New England to Texas.

Limited water supplies forced a school to close in Arkansas and creeks were dry across the Midlands and Southwest. The Susquehanna River, running through Pennsylvania and Maryland to Chesapeake Bay, was at an all-time low level.

Farmers in the stricken area often had to haul water for cattle and crops.

An area-by-area glance:
Northeast: More than 130 new woodland fires reported, Massachusetts and New York hardest hit. New York's October total of 237 all-time record. New Jersey forester says this "worst year we've ever had." Water shortage at Newark, municipal pools closed.

WEST VIRGINIA CIDER
The Dow cider mill here (UPI) is in continuous operation since 1728. During that period, only three different families have owned the mill.

Forests in Massachusetts "incendiary," governor urges railroads to protect against sparks from locomotives.

Great Lakes: No rain in central Ohio for 33 days, foresters seek governor's permission to use National Guardsmen in case of serious fires. Pennsylvania governor bans smoking and open fires in state's woodlands. Two miles of state gameland destroyed by fire Tuesday. West Virginia hunting season cancelled because of fire hazard.

Midwest: Wisconsin fire situation termed "explosive" and "extreme." More than twice as many fires this year than last. Grass fire at Millville, Iowa, under control today after burning 250 acres. Unofficial ban on outside burning in Minnesota, official ban on fires

in Michigan. Southern Illinois fires ahead of average, drought has dried up ponds, impaired fall seedings.

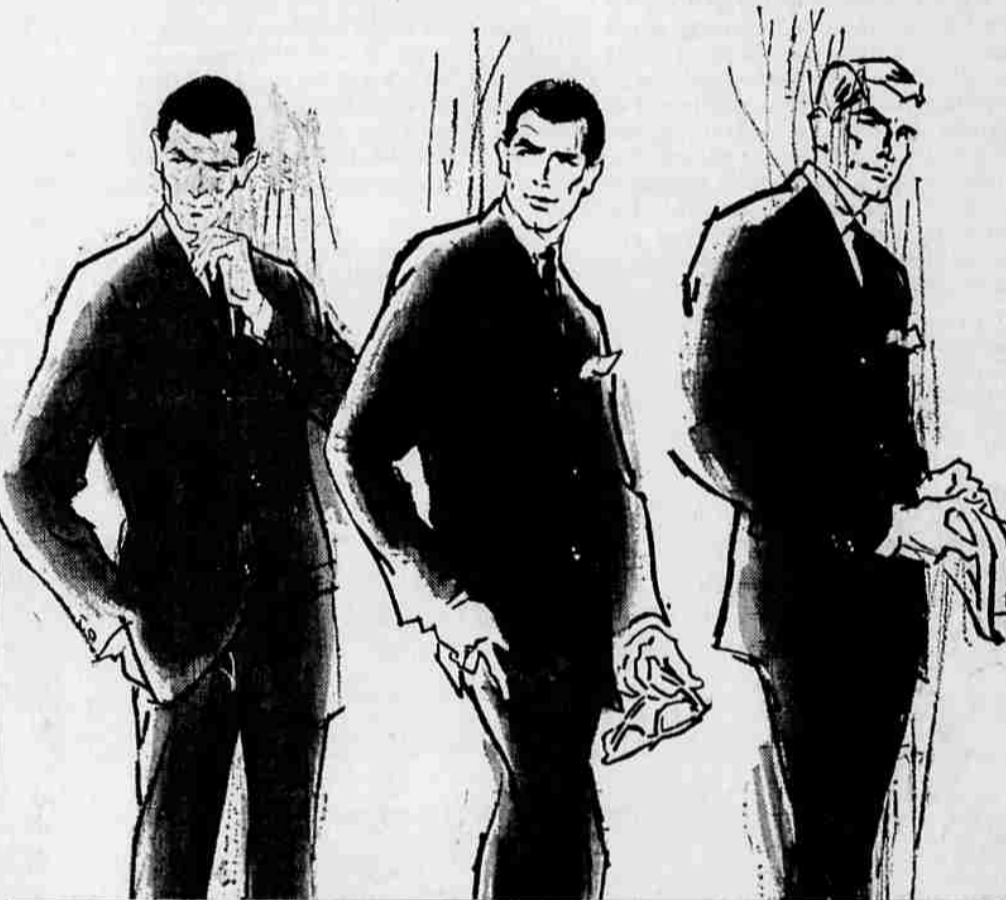
Midlands and Southwest: More than 20 new fires in Arkansas, five burned through the night. Crop reporting service says farmers selling herds in west central and northwest

Arkansas because of water shortage. Soybean crop especially damaged. Bruno Consolidated School near Harrison closed. Roston, Tex., hauling water from railway tank car, lake and half its wells are dry. Several prairie fires reported on Texas plains, rainfall in some areas only half average.

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N.Y. Mirror Suspends Publication

NEW YORK (UPI) — The morning tabloid New York Mirror, with the nation's second largest daily circulation, put out its last edition today ending almost 40 years of publication.

In an announcement Tuesday night the Hearst Corporation, publisher of the Mirror, said that the "name, goodwill and other intangible and physical

assets of the Mirror have been sold to the New York News." F. M. Flynn, president and publisher of the News, expressed the regrets of his publication that the Mirror had decided to discontinue publication.

Council Studies Tamales Ruling

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UPI)—The Lester Dodsons told the city commission Tuesday they have a machine that will keep hot tamales hot when the sun sets on Memphis streets.

The Dodsons asked the commission to exempt tamales from an ordinance prohibiting their street sale after sundown. The commission indicated it has nothing against hot tamales, but that health officials said the tamales must be kept at 150 degrees to prevent bacterial growth.

The brief Hearst Corporation announcement placed part of the blame for the paper's shutdown on last winter's 114-day New York City newspaper strike but indicated the paper had faced serious fiscal problems before that. "Costs have risen far in excess of revenues," the announcement said, "and have created substantial deficits over an extended period of time. The recent prolonged newspaper strike aggravated the already serious problems of the Mirror."

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