News flashes

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Robot Train

America: Railwoad history is made in New York, as, for the first time, a passenger train is operated by remote control.

From Larchmont - the robot train (receiving signals from an "electronic brain" set up on the station) started on a five mile journey.....to By So - Just as if a veteran hand was at the controls, the train errives and - right on time. But don't get too hopeful, rail travellers! This was purely a demonstration.

Football in the Mud

Toronto: An exciting feature of Canadian football is the colourful big-match parade. Imagine this happening in the King's Road every time Chelses played at home!

The occasion was the first-ever meeting of Professional stars from East and West, on a waterlogged pitch that softened up the hard knocks. But they certainly made a splash among the headlines - even though the final result was a draw - six points each.

Film Awards

America: In California, they got the novel idea of letting cinema audiences choose the "star of the year" (after all they're the paper people that pay) and Jennifer Jones won the best actress trophy. Grace Kelly presented, to Natalie Wood, a posthumous award for the late James Dean - voted the best actor.

And the fans' choice of the most promising mattin actor was Tab Hunter. Rosalind Russell made the presentation.

The Sultan

Morocco: Religious ceremony in Rebat, the Capital of the French Frotectorate, when the Sultan, Sidi Mohammed accompanied by M. Pethonin, an Egyptian Priest, drove in state to attend evening prayer at the Mosque. This was the Sultan's first attendance since his recent return from exile.