

The Diagnosis (Part 1)

● Mother takes temperature, 102 degrees
● hands shook while picking up milk
● went back to sleep
● collapsed after chorus (bell rang)
● went to bed, fell asleep
● woke up with a stiff neck (three hours later)
● went home for lunch

The Diagnosis (Part 2)

● Drove home to pack
● Woke up paralyzed
● Got to Sheltering Arms, fell asleep (later that morning)
● Go to hospital, receive diagnosis of polio
● Dr. Wright came back, temp 102 (before breakfast)

An Oxygen Tent and a Chocolate Milkshake

● Mother wants Peg to get more nourishment
● Mother and Father leave and come back with a paper bag with a milkshake.
● Eight days after polio diagnosis, Peg's fever is still 102.
● Peg wants a milkshake but the nurse says no ice cream.
● 7-Up comes out of Peg's nose and she doesn't want to drink.
● Mom gave Peg a milkshake and she drank the whole thing without choking.
● First, Peg drinks ice water, apple juice, grape juice, and 7-Up but no milk.
● Peg's temperature drops.

Star Patient Surprises Everyone (Part 1)

<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Peg continued the twice-daily hot packs and stretching and so did her progress.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Peg lost herself in books for entertainment and read to Tommy.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Peg scratched an itch on her leg with her left hand.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Nurses and Dr. Bevis grab Peg to keep her from crashing to the ground.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Peg could use both hands, then her arms, and finally she could move her legs.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Peg tried to stand with help from Dr. Bevis and the nurses.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Peg could use her arms to feed herself and turn the pages of a book.

Star Patient Surprises Everyone (Part 2)

● Most people think they have the flu until paralysis sets in.
● Bad haircuts, lost ball games, and petitions for girls to wear pants no longer mattered.
● Mail was delivered every afternoon.
● Peg received letters from her classmates.
● Quick action by Peg's parents created good luck.
● Peg received letters from Mother, Father, and BJ.
● Polio can be mild and go undiagnosed.

The Great Accordion Concert

● The accordion would help strengthen Peg's arm muscles and fingers.
● She couldn't move marbles but was going to learn to play accordion.
● Dad plays the accordion really bad but says he'll try again next week.
● Moved to Sheltering Arms Rehabilitation Hospital
● Dad rents and practices accordion.
● After practice, Dad plays the accordion flawlessly.

Good-bye, Silver; Hello, Sticks

● Peg was weepy to leave behind the wheelchair.
● Peg graduates from Silver (wheelchair) to sticks (crutches).
● Peg takes Silver for a final ride with a high-speed race down the hallway.
● Peg pops a 2-wheel wheelie in Silver.

Back to School

● Peg walked into her first-period class to cheers.
● Peg and Dorothy write letters.
● Peg attended school in the mornings only until she could work up to a full day.
● Peg had not fallen behind and her singing voice improved because now she sang with her stomach muscles.
● Peg's friend, Dorothy, leaves Sheltering Arms with a wheelchair.
● Peg was nervous on the first day back.
● In April, Peg got permission to return to school.