

Still Confident

Beck Goes to Jail

SEATTLE (AP)—Dave Beck, 68-year-old president of the former Teamsters' Union, goes to federal prison Wednesday, but he says he does not have to stay down just because he was knocked down.

Beck, wealthy Seattle businessman, was expected at the U.S. marshal's office in Tacoma. From there he was to take the short boat trip to McNeil Island federal penitentiary, in Puget Sound.

On the eve of his five-year

term for filing fraudulent tax returns, he told a reporter: "You don't have to fall down just because you've been knocked down. What matters is, 'Do you get up again?'"

His arrival at McNeil Island will mark the close of five years of legal maneuvers to stay free. Beck was convicted on two charges which played a minor part in his tax evasion trial in 1958-59.

The charges were filing fraud-

ulent tax returns for the union's Joint Council 28 Building Assn. in Seattle. Beck swears he never saw the returns, but the courts said he should have known what they contained. They were information returns involving no tax payments.

Government charges that he evaded paying \$240,000 in taxes for the years 1950-53 were dismissed, but a few days ago the U.S. Supreme Court upheld his conviction on the false union returns. That meant Beck, a one-time laundry truck driver who became one of the most powerful labor figures in the nation, had two concurrent five-year sentences to serve and a fine of \$20,000 to pay.

A grand larceny conviction and 15-year sentence in state courts also hangs over his head for pocketing \$1,900 from the sale of a union-owned Cadillac. The U.S. Supreme Court upheld the conviction last month. A petition for a rehearing is pending.

Arthur, of General Electric's missile and space vehicle division, reported on the spaceman's water blanket.

He said it would be part of an aluminum and plastic "personal shielding system" to protect astronauts during flight from solar flares, which release clouds of protons and raise radiation during space flights to dangerous levels.

The heads of the spacecraft crew, he said, would be protected by removable aluminum and glass covers which would not impair vision. The back and foot areas would be shielded with borated polyethylene blocks — and the sides with aluminum plates.

With such armor, astronauts would pull a quilted water blanket up over themselves from a storage space under their feet to complete the enclosure. Slits in the water blanket would permit the crew to reach out to the control console.

General Electric also disclosed that huge interplanetary spacecraft weighing hundreds of tons probably would be propelled by electric engines developing about as much thrust as a one-pound Fourth-of-July rocket.

Arnold D. Cohen, of the company's missile and space vehicle division, said electric propulsion engines would exceed high-thrust chemical or nuclear rockets "for sheer ability to transport high tonnages to Mars and beyond—once the spacecraft is in an orbit of the earth."

Preservation Of Fish Runs Held Vital

SEATTLE (AP)—Washington and Idaho fisheries experts have told the Federal Power Commission that river development programs must include means of preserving fish runs in the Pacific Northwest.

Forrest R. Hauck of the Idaho Game Department told the commission Tuesday, "We are not opposed to the orderly development of our natural resources. We do object, however, to the type of piecemeal river development that has been going on for 60 years without giving much regard to the renewable resources which we represent."

The FPC is in Washington for a week to visit hydro-electric projects and gather information. The commission was told that although there has been some success in artificial ways of rearing salmon and steelhead, there is no substitute for natural conditions.

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River Treaty Prospects Uncertain

By Associated Press

Prospects of the long pending Columbia River Treaty, under which the United States and Canada would join hands in developing the big streams, have drawn a new flurry of diverse opinion from U.S. officials.

Brig. Gen. William Lapsley, North Pacific Division chief of the Corps of Army Engineers, has testified he is optimistic about eventual Canadian approval of the treaty.

Teno Roncalio, chairman of

the U.S. section of the International Joint Commission which handled Columbia negotiations, also appeared optimistic, but his views were tempered with caution.

Sen. Maurine Neuberger, D-Ore., was pessimistic.

Testifies at Hearing

All made their views known Tuesday, Lapsley through a transcript of testimony presented at a closed hearing of a House appropriations subcommittee.

During the hearing a Pennsylvania congressman asked Lapsley if the United States has any assurance of Canadian approval.

"I believe ultimately the treaty will be ratified by Canada," the general replied.

Roncalio, in Seattle, was asked what he thought about prospects of ratification in the light of Monday's Canadian election.

"Anything we would say might be misinterpreted by our

Canadian friends," he said. "Let's just say we're glad the Canadian election is over."

Joseph C. Swidler, chairman of the Federal Power Commission, and Charles F. Luce, head of the Bonneville Power Administration, both of whom were approached on the subject while in Seattle, declined comment.

'Bad Effect'

In Washington, D. C., Sen. Maurine Neuberger, D-Ore., said she believed the Canadian election would have a bad effect not only on prospects for ratification of the treaty but on the lumber industry in the United States.

"We can assume that there will be no ratification of the Columbia power project treaty in the foreseeable future," she said in a statement, "and we will be forced to adopt alternative programs for the development of Columbia River power."

For the sorely pressed Northwest lumber industry," she said, "the elections mean an end to the hope that the Canadian government will move to lessen the competitive advantage of Canadian lumbermen over their American counterparts."

Water to Insulate Spaceman's Suit

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Scientists Wednesday disclosed space suits insulated with a quilted blanket of water as protection against radiation and an engine with the thrust of a Fourth-of-July rocket for launching huge spacecraft.

In a paper issued at the conference of the Institute of Aerospace Sciences, Dr. George R.

Nuptials Delayed Till Ardor Cools

NEW YORK (AP)—The wedding of Ookie and Olaf the walrus will have to wait awhile, says the New York Aquarium, until Olaf's ardor cools off a bit.

Olaf, all 1,880 pounds of him, had been living only with seals until Ookie (can't tell a girl's weight) was brought to the aquarium.

At first, reports Look magazine, Olaf just sat on his flippers and looked askance at Ookie. When Olaf finally found out she was a sure-enough walrus, said aquarium director Christopher Coates, he "grabbed her and wouldn't let go for 48 hours. When she got loose, we took her away."

The engagement is still on, said Coates, but wedding bells will not ring for several years until Ookie gets big enough to defend herself against too much woo-pitching.

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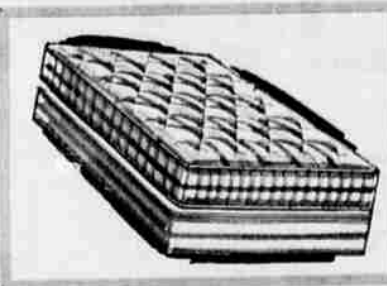
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