

In the Day's News
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Well, we did it.
We tossed into outer space a satellite that makes the Russian Sputniks look like peas alongside a pumpkin. It weighs a little better than four tons—8800 pounds, to be exact.
It has all the modern improvements, including a two-way wrist radio. We can talk to it and it can talk back. It has a robot that guides it—and because of this robot, we are led to believe, it hit the bulls-eye on the first try. That suggests the thought that if we can throw four tons of satellite into outer space and GUIDE it into orbit we can guide an atomic block-buster to Moscow.
All in all, we've proved to the Russians that anything they can do we can do better, as Annie Oakley sings to crack-shot Frank Butler in "Annie Get Your Gun."

BUT—
Having done it—
Let's not get too cocky. Everybody yearns to throw a ripe tomato at a braggart. We don't want ripe tomatoes thrown at us. We want to be admired. We want to be respected. We want to be FEARED in the right places.
So let's saw wood and say as little as possible.

OUR scientists have proved themselves. They've come through with the goods in what was getting to be a pinch. That's WONDERFUL. It restores our self-confidence. It yanks us out of what might have been the beginning of an inferiority complex.

But let's not underestimate Russia. And let's not OVER-estimate ourselves. We have some weak spots. Among other things, we're tending to think in terms of how much we can have in the way of fun and hell-raising and how LITTLE we can WORK. We're becoming increasingly impatient of DISCIPLINE.

The Russians aren't scornful of work. They are a rigidly disciplined people. We don't admire them for that. But all history shouts to us the lesson of the EFFECTIVENESS of discipline. It was the disciplined Roman legion that conquered the world. Before the Roman legion, the armies were undisciplined mobs. The lions changed all that. And, in their day they were invincible.

They remained invincible until the growing SOFTNESS of the Roman people undermined the discipline of the legions.

That's worth remembering.

BUT that's enough preaching. Let's get back to our new and thrilling satellite.

It weighs, we are told, a little better than four tons. That's about the weight of an average-size house trailer. People LIVE in house trailers.

So, it follows, people may be able to live in satellites and such out in space! Nothing seems to be impossible in these days.

WHAT good will that do? I don't know. But maybe it can take the minds of DESPOTS off the idea of trying to conquer the world. Maybe, by arousing their curiosity as to what lies in the illimitable reaches of outer space around us, it may turn their thinking away from war and conquest.

When all outer space beckons to the exploration that is beginning to seem like a possibility, what by comparison is conquering a world that now is no more important in itself than one grain of sand in a desert storm?

Beck Tax Trial Slated to Reopen
Tacoma, Wash. — (UPI) — The Dave Beck income tax evasion trial was scheduled to reopen today for two days of proceedings before a Christmas holiday recess.

Frank Brewster, president of the Joint Council 28 of the Teamsters Union, was to take the stand and continue testimony interrupted by a recess Friday which was brought about when Beck became ill.

Federal Judge George H. Boldt called the recess after a physician examined the former teamster president and found him to be running a slight fever. Beck placed himself in the care of his physician, Dr. Alexander Grinstein, Seattle.

Beck is being tried on charges he evaded \$240,000 in income taxes for the years 1950 through 1953.

76 MILLION HOUSEHOLDS
Washington — (UPI) — The Census Bureau predicted today that the nation may have as many as 75 million households by 1980 — 50 per cent more than the 50,400,000 tallied last March.



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