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gradual and lovely. when I emerged from the shadow of the earth, the horizon looked different. There was a bright orange strip along it, which again passed into a blue hue and once again into a dense black colour. "I did not see the moon. In space the sun is shining tens of times brighter than on earth. Stars are very well seen. They are bright and distinct. The whole picture of the sky is more contrasted than when it is seen from the earth."

### FELT EXCELLENT

Major Gagarin said that when weightlessness appeared, he felt excellent.

"Everything was easier to perform. . . legs and arms weighed nothing. . . Objects are swimming in the cabin, and myself, I did not sit in the chair, as before, but I was suspended in mid-air. During the state of weightlessness I ate and drank, and everything was like on earth.

"I was working in that state, noting my observations. Handwriting did not change, though the hand was weightless. But it was necessary to hold the writing block, as otherwise it would float away from the hands. I was in communication contact on various channels, using a telegraph key.

### RETURN TO GRAVITY

"As I have become convinced, weightlessness has no effect on the ability to work. The passage from weightlessness to gravitation, to the appearance of the gravity force, happens smoothly.

"Arms and legs feel as previously, the same as during weightlessness, but now they have weight. I ceased to be suspended over the chair, but sat in it."

Major Gagarin said that when he returned to the earth, he was overjoyed and he was moved to tears by Mr. Khrushchev's telegram.

"I was moved by his solicitude, interest, warmth. My greatest joy came when I spoke by telephone to Mr. Khrushchev and (President) Brezhnev. My heartfelt gratitude, my filial thanks to Nikita Sergeyevich for his solicitude for my person."

### HAPPY AND PROUD

Major Gagarin said that he was happy and proud that the space flight was to be accomplished by himself. At the same time he had a feeling of great responsibility. Of his plans for the future, he said:

"I wish to dedicate my life, my work, my thoughts and feelings to the new science

circus entertainers, variety artists, actors, orchestras and mobile cinemas will be playing in 30 of Moscow's big squares from 6 p.m. tomorrow in what has been termed here a "people's festival"

In Red Square a large banner carries the slogan "Honour and glory to Comrade Yuri Alexeivich, pioneer conqueror of the cosmos".

Mr. Khrushchev is hurrying back from a Black Sea holiday to welcome Major Gagarin.—*Reuter*.

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## NO SOVIET JAMMING FOR 24 HOURS

The Soviet "jammers" celebrated the first space flight by allowing the B.B.C.'s Russian broadcasts to be heard in the U.S.S.R. without interference for a period of 24 hours.

Such occasions have been rare since the Soviet Union resumed heavy jamming of B.B.C. Russian broadcasts at the time of the U-2 incident last May, the corporation said last night. Sporadic jamming was resumed later in the day, however; and it seemed that the Russians were prepared only to let references to their space achievement go undisturbed. During the trouble free 24 hours the B.B.C.'s four main Russian programmes were almost wholly devoted to the story of the man in space.

### PEAKS OF ACTIVITY

During the past 11 months nearly all news items and commentaries on matters of controversy between Britain and the Soviet Union have been subjected to jamming. Items on cultural and scientific matters and life in Britain have generally, though not always, been free. Jamming, therefore, has provided a sensitive barometer of the state of Anglo-Soviet relations, reaching levels as high as 80 per cent of transmission time at moments of crisis such as the collapse of the Summit Conference.

Other peaks of jamming activity have been registered during the Congo crisis, Mr. Khrushchev's visit to the United Nations and, most recently, when the Laos crisis coincided with the spy trial in London.

## BENN NOT ALLOWED TO ADDRESS THE HOUSE

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Conservative back-his motion and also ter amendment ask-to provide for the rages and to allow unced a peerage to liamentary elections sit as M.P.s. The atived by 207 votes motion taking note

mental changes in the composition, powers, and indeed the whole character of both Houses. . . .

The phraseology of the Writ of Summons to the Lords was described as being "archaic" by the present Attorney General in evidence he submitted to a Committee of the House of Lords in 1955. The Lords endorsed this view in June, 1958, when a Standing Order was passed providing that any peer who does not answer his Writ of Summons within 35 days shall be automatically given leave of absence for the remainder of the Parliament.

If therefore the Lords themselves attach so little importance to the Writ of Summons, why should this House rank it above the duties we perform as servants of our constituents? This House has throughout its history always protected its members against those who sought to interfere with them. . . .

understand that would be to misunderstand everything that this House has achieved over the centuries."

## 15 CONSERVATIVES REBELLED

FROM OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

Although they got far less support from the Labour rank and file than they felt entitled to expect, more than 15 ministerial backbenchers took every opportunity that offered during the debate on the Benn case to dissociate themselves from the line adopted by their leaders.

On the first vote to decide whether Mr. Benn should be allowed to speak from the Bar the following Conserva-