## EDITORIALS

 "High taxes,osometimes by diminishing the consump-of taxed commodities, frequently afford a smaller rev erate rate."-Adam Smith.

## A Christmas Thought

 In these times of the highly commercialized ChristmasIt is still possible to enjoy and observe the true meaning
of the Day of all days in any of the score of Christian churches this community.
The thousands who are devout members of the churchos have enjoyed great spiritual experience throughout the year and do not need to be reminded that Christmas is the their faith renewed by seasonal attendance, a practice that must exasperate the ministry and confound the ushers but encouraging.
ems sorclal abuse of traditional Christmas songs and because they are so much more inspiring in the solitude of home and church.

Exploitation of Christmas in the United States has attained dimensions incomprehensible to Europeans who Christmas is for children. Adults exchange greetings and simple gifts and the bulk of buying is for the young people.
However, even in its most synthetic aspects, the American practice of broadcasting good will, even across the
sales counter, has its merits. Some of the sincere spirit rubs off on everybody and there is a resultant net gain in
better human relationships all around. Here at THE HERALD we like to hope a lot of this we are passing it along to all our readere

## A Wonderful Gift

The nation and the Free World were given an inspiring Christmas present the other evening when the Air Fo
successfully placed in orbit it four-ton Atlas missile. The feat dwarfed any previous success by the Russians have crossed the threshold into outer space.

Most significant, from the standpoint of defense, was many was more famous for several failures than success Yet, the scientists knew they had something in the Atlas and
their faith has been more han justified. In the Atlas made in California - we already have a most dependable be depended upon for our future security. 1959 should be a year of great accomplishment and
some new surprises, the experts predict. No doubt the Atlas can be counted upon to supply several.
As 1958 draws to a close, we're not being caught with
THE SQUIRREL CAGE by Reid Bundy
This Funny World How would you like to live
in a world where the most
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dictionary of today in conof the meaning of words.

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