GLINN: FULL TREATMENT.

At last it was the turn of New York, in the traditional ticket-tape manner, to hail America's space hero, John Glenn. Three million turned out for the welcome, and even for this sort of thing it was perhaps the biggest ever. It was cheers all the way from the tip of Manhatten to the Waldford Astoria.

Talk about fall out; there'd never been anything quite like it.

At the Waldorf Astoria, from the hands of Mayor Wagner, Colonel Glenn receives New York's gold Medal of Honour. The great city has no higher award, and the general opinion was that never has it been more deserved.

New York was proud to pay wholehearted tribute to the first American to orbit the earth.