

# Soldiers' Health Colonel's Concern

WASHINGTON (AP)—Col. Nell Wickliffe, whose parents wanted her to study music when she was a girl back in West Union, S. C., today heads up one of the youngest and most unique corps in the nation's military organization. She is chief of the Women's Medical Specialist Corps, made up of dietitians, physical therapists and occupational therapists.

"There are some 600 of us, all members of the Army's medical team, devoted to the same single mission of safeguarding the health and well-being of the American soldier," she told me. "But we need to grow. We're seeking some 40 per cent more recruits."

Col. Wickliffe says members of her corps are serving in all overseas theaters, including Europe, the Far East, the Caribbean and the Hawaii. "Our dietitians in the Far East are meeting the dietary requirements of a polyglot army composed of men and women from 20 nations who have joined American forces under the U. N. flag," she said. "In Germany our physical therapists are doing an outstanding job in getting disabled troops back on the job in record time. Our occupational therapists, wherever they are serving, are actively participating in a rehabilitation program . . . for orthopedic patients and those suffering from other disorders . . . which we believe is unsurpassed."

Col. Wickliffe, a slender and attractive brunette, was made chief of the corps a year ago after serving as chief dietitian of the Japan Logistical Command and dietetic consultant for the Far East Command. She received a Legion of Merit citation for her work in re-vamping hospital food service in this area.

An authority on military diet planning, she had been with the Army's specialist program since 1929—long before there was a Specialist Corps. She completed her

dietetic internship at Walter Reed Hospital, served as staff dietitian until 1930 and came back six years later as chief dietitian. She got started on her career in 1921 when as a freshman at Winthrop College at Rock Hill, S. C., she decided to major in home economics instead of music.

"Like many Southern girls, I'd been shooed out of the kitchen, so I didn't know much about domestic science first hand," she said. "But when I looked over the field for something I wanted to do, I decided home economics was the coming thing."

Col. Wickliffe is a talented hostess and loves to travel. She says she's always shopping for things to add charm and color to her home. She picked up a porcelain vase in the Russian Zone of Germany, an old brass candle warmer in Amsterdam, a marquisite watch in Switzerland and hats and gloves in Paris.

## RADAR TO CATCH SMUGGLER

SINGAPORE (AP)—Small craft engaged in smuggling goods and illegal immigrants into Singapore may in the future have to pierce a radar screen ringing the island. The government is considering establishing a radar station atop a hill overlooking Singapore harbor, the newspaper Sunday Standard reported recently. The station would be in contact with police patrol craft by radio.

# School Bus Drivers Meet for Instructions



Salem public school bus drivers, whose 23-bus fleet was found in good condition in a state safety check early in the week, met Saturday for the annual safety instruction period sponsored by the state. Paul Warren of the state education department conducted the program. Among the Salem bus drivers are these, pictured at the bus shop near Salem High School: (Left to right) first row—John Turner, Richard Boatwright, William Lee, Guy Weeks, Robert Goff, Jack Hande; second row—James McEale, Dean Moore, Del Githens, Ronald Coffey, Hugh Nelson, James Gay, Loren Rautan, David Polndexter. Drivers from Kelser, Stayton and Aumsville also attended.

# Stock Market Gains Strength

NEW YORK (AP)—After struggling through a week of minor barriers, the stock market mustered renewed strength and closed at a new 1952 high.

Most of the rough going arose from psychological factors involving the question of whether the market had gone too high too

fast and was due for a little rest. Such a pause before the start of the traditional year-end rally would not be unexpected.

News developments, and there weren't very many, were mostly on the bullish side. Included was a prediction by the staff of the House-Senate committee on the economic report that prosperity would continue even when defense spending tapers off.

The Associated Press average of 60 stocks gained 90 cents on the week with most of the gain ac-

counted for by the railroads. The average closed at \$114.80, the highest level since June 4, 1930. On that date it stood at \$116.60.

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# AP Staffs Race to Scene of World's Worst Air Tragedy

(Story also on page one.)  
SEATTLE (AP)—The Associated Press and member newspaper photographers and Wirephoto operators raced from three cities by helicopter and automobiles to get a picture story of the worst plane crash in aviation history.

They battled icy mountain passes, snow and icing conditions in the air to reach Larson Air Force Base, where a C-124 crashed and killed 84 military personnel.

Their problem now was to get the pictures but to get them out to the rest of the world from

the Air Base which lies midway between Washington's two largest cities.

From Spokane, the Daily Chronicle sent photographers and reporters by automobile over icy roads the 125 miles to Moses Lake on the edge of the big Air Base.

From Seattle, 175 miles and a snow-covered mountain pass away, The Associated Press and Seattle Times sent photographers, reporters and Wirephoto operators.

They carried a portable Wirephoto transmitter.

From Yakima, 100 miles to the

south, the Republic started Photographer Dean Spuler by light plane but icing conditions were such the plane could not fly high enough to clear the mountains.

Spuler switched to a helicopter which could hedgehop under the ice-forming weather.

Converging on Moses Lake, the Chronicle photographers took their pictures and rushed them to the Moses Lake telephone office to await the portable transmitter.

SEEK ISRAEL RE-ENTRY  
BOMBAY (AP)—Fifty-eight of the 128 Indian Jews who returned from Israel last August charging racial discrimination have petitioned Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion for permission to resettle in Israel.

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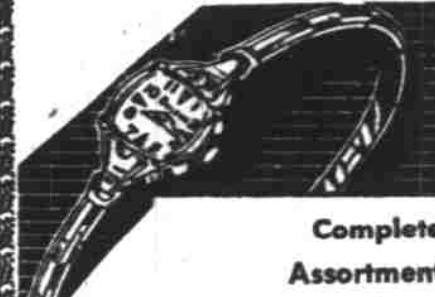
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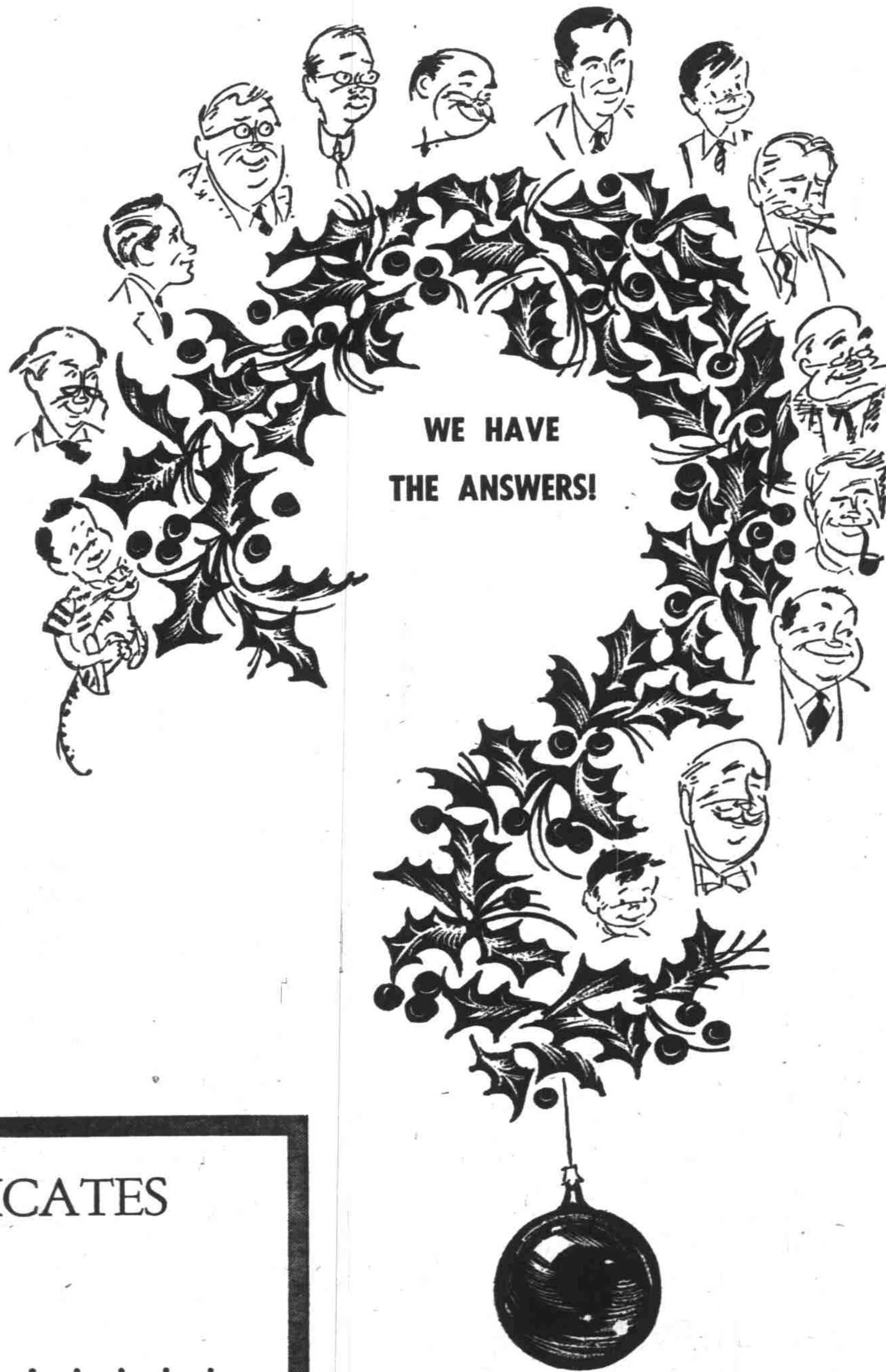
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