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## Flu Declines

WASHINGTON (U)—Deaths from influenza and pneumonia numbered 566 in 106 large cities during the week ended Dec. 21, a slight increase over the 535 in the preceding week despite a continued drop in new cases of Asian influenza.

## Happy In Rain

SYDNEY (U)—Sydney was so overjoyed to see rain today after the worst drought since 1889 that thousands walked happily around without coats or umbrellas. The light steady rainfall broke the heat wave in Sydney, which had seen temperatures well over 100 degrees.

## Draft For Dutch

JAKARTA, Indonesia (U)—The government was empowered today to conscript Dutch technicians to remain in Indonesia to help keep the nation's troubled economic system working.

## Reports Denied

BONN, Germany (U)—The West German Defense Ministry today denied British newspaper speculation that U.S. pressure caused the Bonn government to decide against buying Britain's latest rocket jet.

## Hillary Closes

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (U)—Sir Edmund Hillary's party trekked to within nearly 150 miles of the South Pole today in its overland hike through Antarctic wastes.

## Reds Parroted

CAIRO (U)—Delegates to the African-Asian conference put finishing touches today on a tiff of propaganda resolutions following the broad Soviet line.

## 26 Rebels Killed

ALGIERS (U)—French forces claimed today they killed 26 rebels and captured a big supply of arms over the weekend. The Alger Nationalists hit back with attacks on farms, trains and road traffic.

## 100 Rabies Calls Made

LAKELAND, Fla. (U)—One hundred vacationing Florida Southern College students have been notified by telephone they might have come in contact with a sorority house pet dog which died of rabies.

The entire student body of about 2,000 was informed by letter that the dog died of rabies, which is fatal to humans who do not take anti-rabies treatment.

The college already had telephoned 83 girls in two sororities and then reached the 17 members of the physical education class by telephone yesterday.

The pup was taken into a sorority house in violation of college rules and kept as a mascot for several weeks. He was taken home for the Christmas holidays by a girl student and died last Monday.

## Evening Prayer

Lord, we of ourselves are so inclined to build too low down, and so become easy prey to the enemy of our souls. Help us to seek those things that are above, in the strength of Christ, help us to build higher. In His name, Amen.



Georgia Officers Check Arms From Overton's Auto

## 2nd Gunman Gone

# Fiery Wreck Kills Slayings Suspect

WRENS, Ga. (U)—A diabetic gunman wanted for the slaying of two men and the burning of a third—a blind piano player—in a Washington, D. C., bar, died in the flaming crash of a stolen auto last night.

He was Henry Clay Overton, 41, of Martinsville, Va., one of two men sought intensively throughout the southeast for the pistol and shotgun blasting of the bar early Friday.

Officers first thought the second wanted man, Russell Wayne Carpenter, 21, of Washington, might have been with Overton. But they concluded that the two must have separated somewhere between here and Jacksonville, Fla., where they were reported seen together.

Overton, chased by state troopers at speeds up to 110 miles an hour, swerved and crashed head-on into another machine on U.S. 1 just north of this central Georgia town.

The driver of the second car, Charlie Wray of Cocoa, Fla., and High Point, N. C., also was killed. He was traveling south.

Overton, the stolen 1958 auto heavily stocked with shotgun shells and food, was heading north—back toward the crime scene—when the troopers jumped him. He had been reported earlier at Swainsboro, Ga., some 50 miles to the south on the route from Jacksonville.

Troopers swarmed in with FBI men and county officers to search for a nearby tourist court, after the chance that Carpenter might have fled there. They found nobody.

Overton's body was held for an inquest. Wray's body was sent to Greensboro, N. C., for burial. He had been residing in Cocoa, and presumably was en route there from High Point through his wife's.

State Patrol Sgt. R. L. Knight said only the flash flames from

## New Year May Begin With Tieup

NEW YORK (U)—The Transport Workers Union went ahead with plans today for a vast strike at midnight tomorrow that would paralyze New York City's entire bus and subway systems.

An overflow meeting yesterday, nearly 5,000 shouting members of the union roared unanimous approval of the walkout and hurled any delay unless an acceptable wage agreement is reached before the deadline.

A strike by the TWU would virtually turn the city's 228 miles of subway tubes into ghost tunnels as well as stopping operation of all city-operated bus lines, eight private bus companies and another private bus line in suburban Westchester County.

A tieup would disrupt the transportation pattern of the city's eight million residents and the thousands of workers who converge daily on the metropolis from the suburbs.

The strike vote yesterday followed failure of negotiations between the autonomous Transit Authority and the TWU in an effort to replace their contract, which expires at midnight tomorrow.

The union's demands for a 6-cent hourly increase in a one-year pact and the TA's offer of 18 cents an hour over a two-year period have left the two sides far apart.

Present subway wages range from \$2.79 an hour for porters to \$2.37 for power maintainers.

Negotiations resume today (3 p.m.) in the offices of City Labor Commissioner Harold A. Felix, with settlement of the subway contract dispute serving as the key issue.

The outcome of the subway pay talks will probably determine the wage pattern for 8,200 TWU members employed on the private lines, which are negotiating independently with the TWU.

Quill and other members of the union's executive committee also are summoned in State Supreme Court to show cause why the union should not be enjoined from striking.

JAIL LOOMS

TWU President Michael Quill has announced he will flout any antistrike injunction and go to jail if necessary.

The fiery 52-year-old unionist told his wildly cheering cohorts yesterday: "If we have to go to jail... we will go to jail."

"There is enough leadership here to run a strike until hell freezes over. They (the Transit Authority) are not going to run this city."

The TWU's strike threats have received no support from the Maritime's Benevolent Association, the 5,000-member union which would end two weeks ago after seriously disrupting subway service for eight days. The TWU belongs to the AFL-CIO.

The MBA struck to dramatize demands for craft union bargaining rights. The TWU won a system-wide election Dec. 16 for the right to act as sole bargaining agent for the city's 31,000 transit workers.

Gov. Averell Harriman said in Albany after hearing of the strike vote yesterday that "it is the responsibility of the Transit Authority and other responsible officials to invoke the laws of the state to prevent a strike or stop it if it comes."

He made the comment when asked about published reports that a special committee headed by J. Royan Galtier Jr. had found that U.S. defenses were comparatively weak and that the country was in danger. The Galtier report itself still is top secret, Haggerty said, but he added it makes no such findings.

PHILLY TROLLEY  
PHILADELPHIA (U)—After 99 years the trolley is gone from Philadelphia's Market Street.

Buses are being substituted and will travel on streets a block away.

# N. Y. Union Planning Bus, Subway Strike



(News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin-Franklin)

## They Elect Man Of The Year

Charlotte News Men of the Year of previous years are pictured as they met to choose the Man of the Year of 1957. The Charlotte News does not have a vote in electing the Man of the Year. Pictured, left to right,

seated: Coleman W. Roberts, C. W. (Pat) Gilchrist, George M. Ivey Sr., Col. Jo Norman Pease, Henry Dockery, standing: John F. Watlington, H. H. Everett, J. P. McMillan, John C. Erwin, J. Spencer Bell and John L. (Jack) Stickle.

## —PICKED BY FORMER MEN OF YEAR—

# Man Of Year To Be Named Tomorrow

The Charlotte News Men of the Year of 1957 will be announced in tomorrow's editions of The News.

The new Man of the Year was elected by the 11 living Men of the Year of previous years. The Charlotte News does not have a vote in the selection of the Man of the Year, the election being by Men of the Year who now number 11. Two Men of the Year, J. B. Marshall and David Owens, have died.

The Charlotte News established the award in 1944 to honor the citizen who makes the greatest contribution to the community within the year. Holders of elective political position are not considered for the award.

Unselfish service to the community was established by The News as the basis on which the selection should be made.

While The Charlotte News does not vote in the election of Man of the Year, the paper is represented on the Man of the Year Committee by Thomas L. Robinson, publisher, and Brodie S. Griffith, general manager.

The 11 Men of the Year who selected the Man of the Year of 1957, and the year of their election, are:

Coleman W. Roberts, 1944.  
C. W. Gilchrist, 1945.  
George M. Ivey, 1947.  
J. Norman Pease, 1948.

person's activities have been in and for the city.

"A Man of the Year does not have to be selected if no one appears worthy of the honor."

"Civic affairs weigh far more heavily than commercial affairs, and a general, accumulated distinction is not enough. The candidate must have made notable contributions to the community in the year under consideration."

Traditionally, the Man of the Year is announced by The News on the last day of the year. In keeping with that tradition the Man of the Year of 1957 will be announced in tomorrow's Charlotte News.

THE RULES OF THE AWARD

The rules governing the award provide:

"Persons holding salaried elective political positions are excluded."

"Residence in the city proper is no requirement provided a

## Senator Slaps Defense Critics

By JACK BELL

WASHINGTON (U)—Sen. Hickenlooper (R-Iowa) said today a "chorus of destructionists" is creating unnecessary confusion about the nation's missile and satellite programs.

Hickenlooper, a member of the Senate House Atomic Energy Committee, referred in an interview to Democratic critics who have contended that administration complacency has permitted the United States to lag behind Russia in rocketry.

"There has been a lot of unnecessary confusion created by a whole chorus of destructionists about our defense program," he said. "Despite all the wild talk about how we are dropping behind Russia, we have a tremendous number of missiles."

"I am satisfied that we are making good progress in the missile field."

Hickenlooper's statement was in line with the weekend declaration of White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty that "stories that have been printed indicate the United States is in a position of weakness at this time are not true."

He made the comment when asked about published reports that a special committee headed by J. Royan Galtier Jr. had found that U.S. defenses were comparatively weak and that the country was in danger. The Galtier report itself still is top secret, Haggerty said, but he added it makes no such findings.

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## \$1 Billion Program

## Ike Okays Federal Education Program

By JACK BELL

GETTYSBURG, Pa. (U)—A \$1 billion four-year program to bolster education was approved today by President Eisenhower. It contemplates 10,000 federal scholarships each year and 50,000 matching grants to states.

The plan was released after Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Folsom conferred for an hour with the President.

Folsom said he had talked about the program to congressmen and felt it would receive a favorable reception when it goes to Congress for approval.

Folsom said the federal program would try to correct deficiencies in education "which if allowed to continue would seriously weaken our national security effort."

But, in a news conference, Folsom made it clear that science and mathematics would not be stressed alone. He said the scholarship program aims to bring thousands more students into college.

The program calls for appropriation of 225 million dollars in the first year with a four-year total of one billion dollars.

A substantial increase looms in the appropriation for the National Science Foundation which now has a budget of about 40 million dollars a year. Among other things, the foundation seeks to improve research, training and teaching in the sciences.

The amount to be asked for the

## Mecklenburg Navy Not Enough

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## Experts' Predictions To Be Listed By News

What will 1958 bring? We have no crystal ball. We know no one with one. But we've come up with answers from some experts — which is nearly as good as a crystal ball session.

We've asked a distinguished group of Americans in education, industry, labor, public life, science and religion these three questions:

What will be the best thing that could happen in 1958 — either in your own field or for the country generally? Do you believe it will happen? If not, why not?

The answers will interest you and they may even surprise you. Either way, you're in for some good reading in The News tomorrow.

Among the participants are former President Harry S. Truman, President A. Whitney Griswold of Yale University, Director Alan T. Waterman of the National Science Foundation, President George Meany of the AFL-CIO, the Rev. Edwin C. Dahlberg of St. Louis, president of the National Council of Churches, and others.

Watch for this interesting feature in tomorrow's News.