

Holiday Casualties Toll U.S.

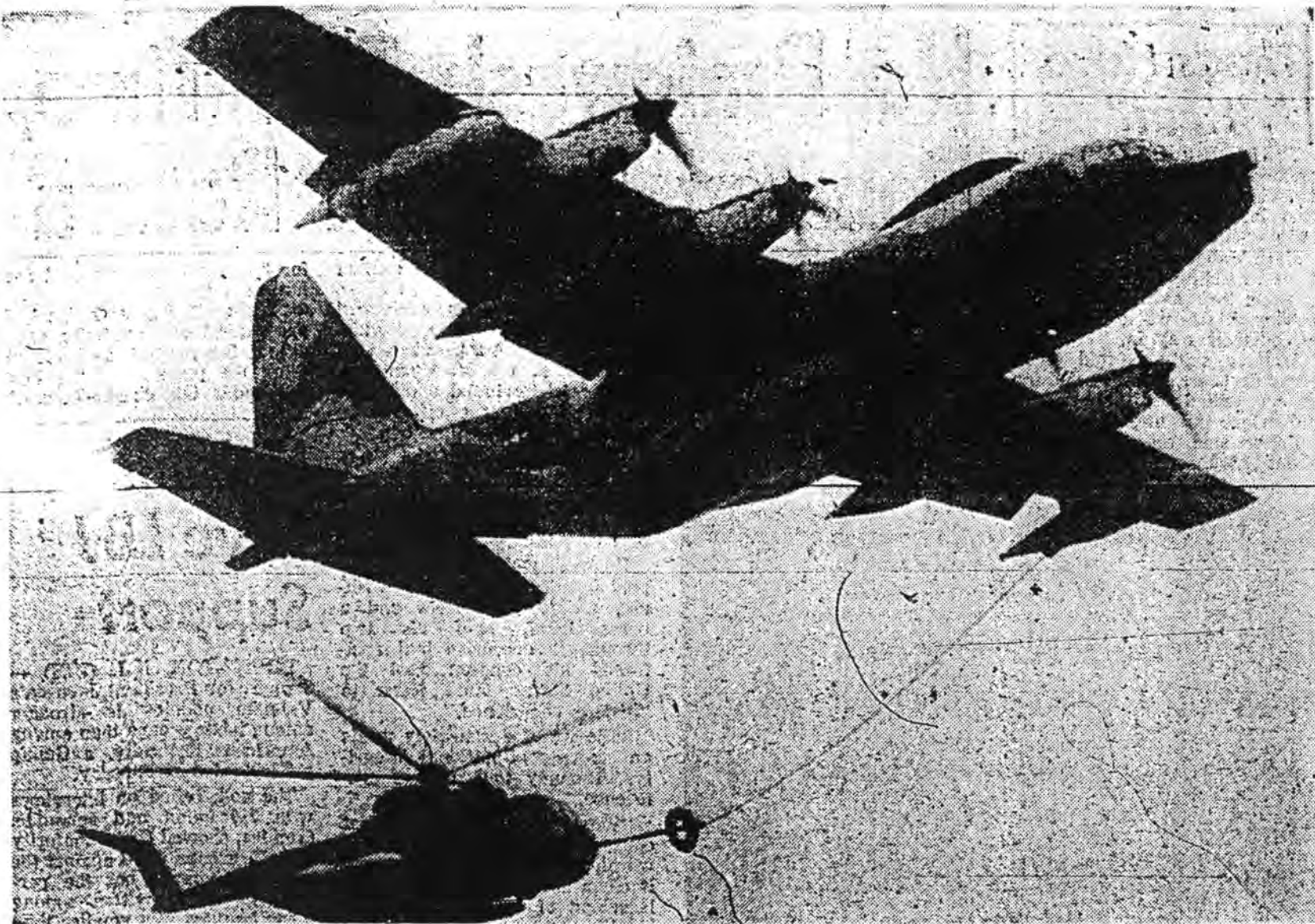
SAIGON (AP) — A number of American soldiers in the Vietnam Christmas week when cease-fires claimed by both sides increased, figures Thursday disclosed. The number of wounded dropped sharply.

South Vietnamese casualties decreased during the seven days ending last Saturday of other Allied forces.

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In its weekly report, U.S. Command said 100 Americans were killed last week as compared with 136 in the week earlier. The wounded last week was only 437 as compared with 1,361 in the previous week. The 437 wounded, said, 130 did not require hospitalization.

The new totals 997 the number killed so far in the year and the number 99,742. Another 100 are listed as missing or interned since



Copter Refueled Over Gulf of Tonkin

A "Jolly Green Giant" helicopter eases itself under the belly of a C-130 Hercules tanker plane to take on fuel while on duty over

the Gulf of Tonkin near the carrier Ranger on Yankee Station. The chopper is used to pick up downed pilots. (AP)

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