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Shuttle route sale adds another cloud over Eastern Airlines

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — Some union leaders and analysts see Eastern Airlines' sale of its profitable Northeast shuttle to real estate mogul Donald Trump as a big shove on its downhill path.

An Eastern spokesman, though, said the company got a good price for the shuttle that brings essential cash to keep Eastern viable.

"There's no question that within the Eastern structure, the shuttle is certainly the crown jewel," said Robert Joedicke, airline analyst for Shearson Lehman in New York. "Obviously, they've been having difficulties at Eastern and if you take out a highly profitable facet, it certainly makes it much harder to survive."

Robert V. Callahan, former head of the Eastern flight attendants union, was more blunt about the \$365 million sale announced Wednesday.

"If it clears all the legal hurdles, it signals the end of Eastern Airlines as an independent entity," he said, referring to the vow by Eastern's unions to try to block the sale in the courts.

"The proposed sale simply confirms what we have been saying all along," said Jack Bavis, chairman of the Air Line Pilots Association local. "Mr. Lorenzo is only intent on gutting Eastern ... not in trying to make it fly."

Bavis said he believes the shuttle sale is part of an ultimate plan of "making it easier to merge the shell of Eastern into Continental sometime in the near future." Texas Air Corp. Chairman Frank Lorenzo, who began taking over Eastern 2½ years ago, also owns Continental, a non-union carrier.

However, Eastern spokesman Robin Matell said the deal "absolutely does not mean the end of Eastern."

"There's no reason to draw that conclusion," he said. "If anything, it strengthens Eastern enormously."

Matell said Eastern would gain badly needed cash to pay bills while maintaining marketing relationships and route tie-ins. Also, the shuttle linking New York, Washington and Boston would not go to an existing competitor, he noted.

Trump agreed to pay cash for the shuttle operation, which he said would be renamed the Trump Shuttle.

The shuttle has been Eastern's most profitable operation. But Matell said it provides only about 4 percent of Eastern's revenues and therefore should not be considered crucial to its survival.

He said Eastern obviously would have preferred to keep the shuttle but was prevented by "the reality of our economics."

Eastern's unions, which have been blamed by management for fighting cost-cutting moves, vowed to fight the sale. They blocked an attempt in February by Texas Air to spin the shuttle service off into a new subsidiary, and Lorenzo later dropped the plan.

"I don't think anyone should consider this a done deal," Ron Cole, ALPA spokesman said of the sale to Trump. "Mr. Lorenzo has been systematically dismantling Eastern Airlines. We've been fighting the loss of any Eastern assets and we're going to keep fighting."

The agreement with Trump came amid reports Lorenzo also has been discussing the possible sale of the rest of Eastern to Carl Icahn, chairman of Trans World Airlines. Union sources reported Icahn had talked with Eastern labor representatives about making salary concessions.

Joedicke, the airline analyst, said a combination of TWA and Eastern would make good competitive sense, because Eastern's strengths in north-south routes on the East Coast and in the Caribbean and Latin America would complement TWA's routes.

Callahan, now development director for the Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science at the University of Miami, said a TWA-Eastern deal would be an ironic one for Eastern.

He said that Frank Borman, chairman of a then-independent Eastern, proposed secretly in 1985 that the airline buy TWA to join their routes. Callahan, who sat on Eastern's board of directors, said Eastern's investment bankers would not advance the debt-ridden carrier the money needed for such an acquisition.

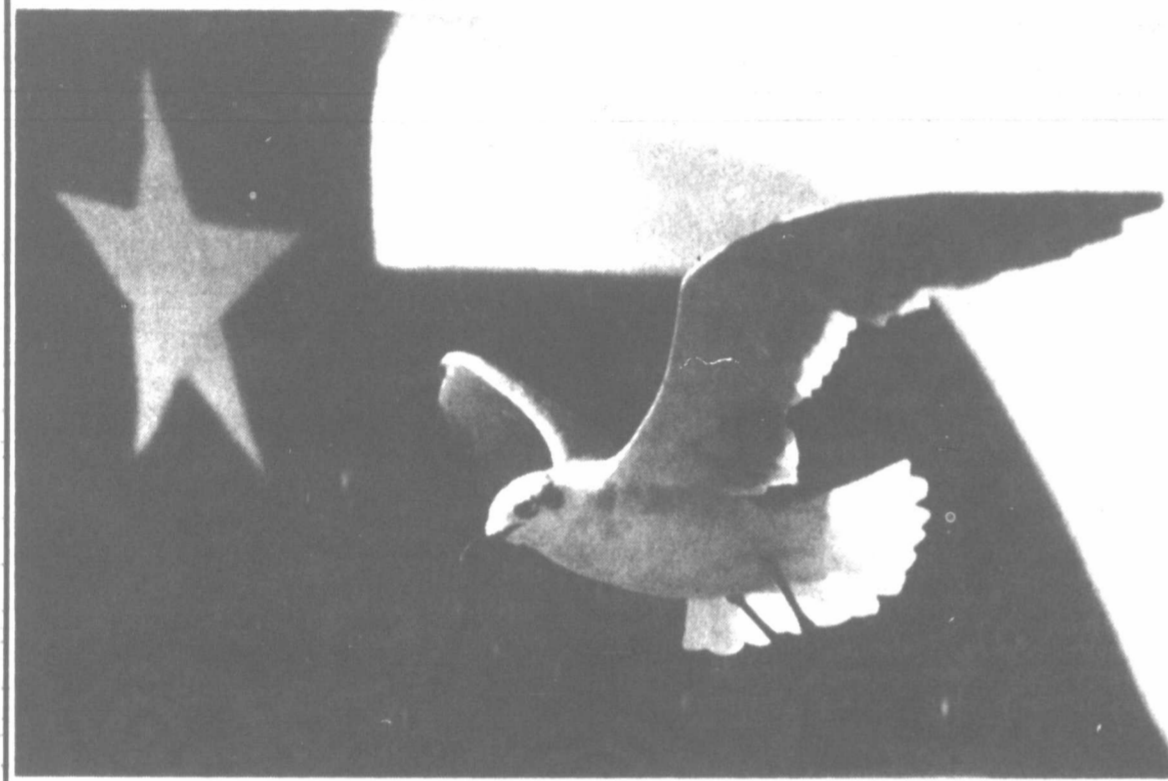
Eastern unions opposed the takeover of Eastern by Texas Air since it was announced in February 1986. Dozens of lawsuits are still wending through the courts, and the Eastern Machinists union has been in federal mediation over a new contract since January.

Texas Air's management, pointing to Eastern's \$2.5 billion debt and \$1 billion in losses over the past decade, says the unions must cut labor costs by up to 30 percent.

Last year, Eastern's computer reservations system was made into a separate Texas Air unit for \$100 million to Eastern, which pays some \$10 million a month now to Texas Air to use the system, according to court testimony. Eastern has also paid Texas Air tens of millions of dollars in management fees and other costs.

"He has sucked out some of the assets he can use, and now what he'll do is sell the remainder off and get rid of it," Callahan predicted.

Texas coast watcher



A seagull crosses a Texas flag while cruising along behind a ferry crossing Galveston Bay near Galveston. The flag flies from the stern of the ship where tourists feed the gulls pieces of bread. (AP Laserphoto)

Lubbock water wells contaminated

LUBBOCK (AP) — The Texas Water Commission will decide whether to impose penalties on the city of Lubbock for sewage pollution of water wells in two outlying communities.

"Some type of action will be taken, and it will be up to the commission to decide which action," said Larry Smith, Lubbock district manager for the TWC.

A TWC study has found that water wells serving residents in Buffalo Springs Lake and Ransom Canyon have been contaminated by seepage of sewage water from the city's nearby wastewater disposal facility. The water was found to have higher than recommended levels of nitrate, chloride and sodium.

The report blamed the city's long-term over-application of sewage effluent at the Frank Gray Farm, the disposal facility located east of the city.

Although the facility has been expanded over recent years, "the growth was not enough to keep pace with Lubbock's ever-increasing wastewater discharge," said the report.

The city has applied to the TWC for a five-year renewal on its permit for the sewer farm, and that request will be considered separately from the contamination issue, Smith said.

City manager Larry Cunningham told the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* that the city already has begun addressing the seepage problem.

A \$5 million wastewater storage facility is scheduled for construction, and the farm's usual cotton crop will be substituted with a crop that requires more water and nutrients to absorb more wastewater. The city has owned and operated the farm since 1986.

The farm has been used to dispose of the city's wastewater since the 1930s. Some treated sewage water is used for irrigation.

The level of dissolved chemicals did not appear to present a health risk to adults, but infants could be adversely affected, stated the report, undertaken in March at the request of the communities' residents.

Group files 'Medigap' petition

AUSTIN (AP) — A consumers group says the State Insurance Board is not doing enough to protect elderly people who may be cheated by so-called "Medigap" health-care policies, but the state agency disagreed saying enforcement is up.

The Consumers Union and Gray Panthers filed a petition with the State Board of Insurance Wednesday seeking more regulation of Medicare supplement policies, or so-called Medigap policies.

Carol Barger, of the Consumers Union, said the insurance board received about 2,500 complaints on Medigap policies last year, but has done little to regulate the industry.

"The State Board of Insurance should be assuring elderly consumers that Medigap companies are trustworthy, and that the policies sold in Texas are a good buy," Barger said during a news conference.

But Lee Jones, a spokesman for the insurance board, said the agency has recognized the problems of some Medigap policies and has taken action.

He said disciplinary hearings of insurance agents has increased from about two per week last year to an average of 10 to 15.

"For the Consumers Union to say the State Board of Insurance has taken little meaningful action with respect to medicare supplement is to ignore the many good things that have taken place," said Jones.

Jones said the insurance board staff is drafting legislation that would increase Medigap regulations and also give the insurance board power to immediately stop fraudulent policy advertising.

"The board is making a determined effort in this area," he said.

Charlotte Flynn, of the Gray Panthers, said the elderly are often victimized by unscrupulous insurance agents who sell them worthless policies, or policies that duplicate coverage.

A 1986 congressional report indicated that \$3 billion of the \$12 billion spent by the elderly nationwide for health insurance is wasted on unnecessary or fraudulent policies. Texas consumers paid more than \$500 million in premiums in medicare supplement insurance policies in 1986.

Rob Schneider, also of the Consumers Union, said of the 520 different kinds of Medigap policies for sale in Texas, more than two-thirds made too much profit under a policy gauge set by the insurance board. The gauge measures how much of the premiums paid are returned in the form of claims paid.

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And I can see the headlights, but she's screaming and the tires and I can see the screaming I can see those ...

"Come here, Sally. Here girl."

I guess she'd chase that green, furry frog till your arm dropped off and you couldn't throw it anymore. God knows where she found it, but it's hers now. If you don't believe it, just try to get it away from her.

That's her other favorite game — tug-of-war. Of course, all the training experts caution you never to play games that foster competition, but I can't resist. For Sally, it's the stuff of life.

"Go get it!" She bounds off after the frog, her tail cutting the air with large swoops, and pounces on the hapless victim. Back she races, flailing her prey like a ragamuffin, passing close enough for me to grab one end of it and try to wrest it from her. The game is on!

skidding tires bearing down when the sickening thud echoing between the wheels she's screaming echoing ...

Funny how you get so attached to someone or something in such a short period of time.

Five weeks ago in the rain she followed Nancy home, a pathetic sight, wet and shriveled up and hungry, skulking along the road. Right then we knew she was ours, a bona fide stray. She didn't just wander away from home — she'd been living on the streets.

But a meal, a nap and a bath unearthed a brand-new, three-month-old girl. A little more independent than most maybe, sometimes confused, but anxious to please.

She lapped up the constant attention and quickly made our home hers. Yeah, she decided she'd stay.

too dark flung in the grass when headlights roar

Off Beat

By Sonny Bohanan

away where in the screaming grass she stops in the too dark ...

The housebreaking is a battle of wills, and she holds the trump card.

It's easy to get her to do what you want her to do. With a handful of snacks and five minutes' time, she learned to sit and lie down. That positive reinforcement stuff is a snap.

The hard part is preventing her from doing the things you don't want her to do. It's virtually impossible to reward someone for not doing something. It requires a whole different mentality and one I've yet to master.

But there's one thing that requires no coaxing. When it comes to having fun — whether it's stalking and eating grasshoppers, playing tug-of-war, chasing her frog or just plain romping — she's a natural.

Her young mind is transported and she's in puppy heaven. Sometimes she gets so carried away in her adventures that she races across the yard, over the curb and into the ...

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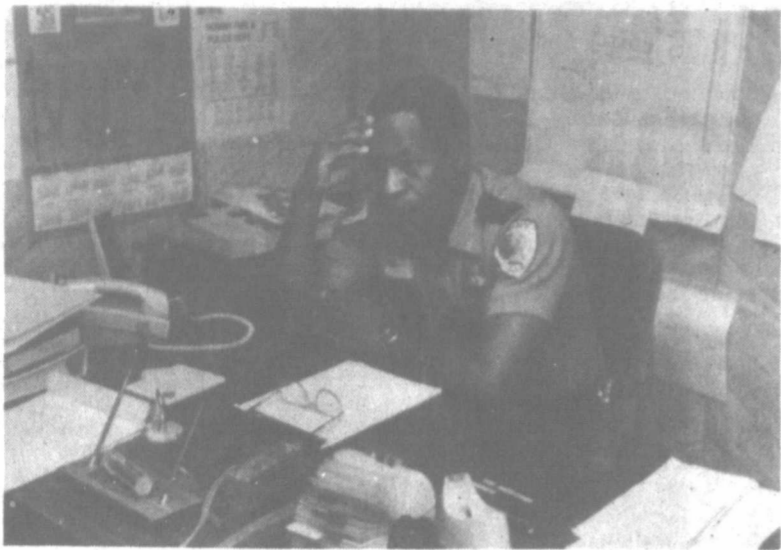
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Oklahoma town shaken by misconduct charges against its police chief

HOMINY, Okla. (AP)—During the past week, the black police chief who faces a paternity suit by a white employee was fired, and two officers and a judge resigned, but officials say the worst may be yet to come.

This once-quiet rural northeast Oklahoma town's City Council is seeking a grand jury investigation into months of claims of misconduct by ex-Police Chief Charles Crawford and counterclaims of racial bias.

"I'm sure that this thing is not over yet," said Mayor Steve Tilley, whose town of 3,000 residents includes about 150 blacks. "It may drag on for years."

Crawford, who has been married 11 years, said city officials who opposed having a black chief conspired to oust him, using allegations that he had affairs with white police dispatchers to raise the ire of the City Council.

"The only difference in these days and the old days is that people don't use ropes anymore," said Crawford, referring to lynchings in the old South. "They use a lot of trickery and politics to keep you exactly where they want you."

No criminal charges have been filed against Crawford, who was police chief for nine years, but allegations in testimony to city investigators included sexual involvement with dispatchers, sexual harassment of other female employees, preferential treatment for some residents and harsh handling of others.

City Manager Paul O'Keefe, who serves at the council's discretion, fired Crawford last Thursday, saying only that he did it "for the good of the service." O'Keefe is out of town and unavailable for comment until Friday, officials said.

A day after Crawford's firing, police Lt. Dave Pillars and Officer Randy Walling were forced to resign, leaving a police force of two. Tilley said the resignations were accepted because "they went along with what their chief said and did."

Both officers said they were shocked when asked to resign. "If someone had told me six years ago my career was going to end like this, I wouldn't believe them," Pillars said.

On Monday, Municipal Judge Bill Hall resigned after acknowledging he had signed blank warrants later used by police in arrests. Blank warrants were found during the council's investigation of Crawford.

Hall denied wrongdoing, saying the Crawford controversy that led to his resignation was the result of "a gross misunderstanding of certain facts."

Osage County District Attorney Larry Stuart is reviewing the council's 350-page investigative report and said state investigators may be called in if necessary.

The council requested that a grand jury review its report, but Tilley said he does not believe a panel will be called. District Judge J.R. Pearman said he does not expect to rule on the grand jury request before next month.

Crawford, 45, has denied all the allegations, saying disgruntled fired employees, unidentified accusers and jealous women are making the charges.

Tilley denies anyone on the five-member council, all white, conspired against Crawford because he is black, but said at least two council members who initially called for the investigation and his resignation have not hidden their dislike for Crawford.

Tilley said testimony presented to city investigators accusing Crawford of sexual relationships with four unidentified juvenile women led to his firing. But the claims, which came in interviews with city investigators, were supported by little evidence, he said.

Crawford said city officials have refused to identify his juvenile accusers so that he can disprove their claims.

Crawford, who grew up in Hominy along with 18 brothers and sisters, was suspended with pay Sept. 6, two weeks after former dispatcher Becky Rulo, 27, contacted a Tulsa newspaper and councilman Foster Johnson with claims that she is carrying Crawford's baby. She filed her paternity lawsuit against Crawford on Monday, saying she is four months pregnant.

Town still uneasy despite arson arrest

JEFFERSON, N.H. (AP)—The arrest of a former volunteer firefighter in connection with 16 suspicious fires did not reassure many residents of this New England hamlet that their six months of terror had ended.

"We'll sit up at night 'til we hear more. We'll go on the way we have been," said Donna Hartford, whose family narrowly escaped a fire that destroyed their home in July.

"This is at least something. They have done something, but I don't feel comfortable."

Her unease was echoed by others in the community of 850, despite the arrest Wednesday of Lance Lalumiere, 23, of Jefferson, a former volunteer firefighter who was charged with setting fire to his brother's house in August.

State Safety Commissioner Richard Flynn, appearing at a news conference in Concord, said the state will seek indictments against Lalumiere charging him with setting 15 other fires.

Five of the town's 21 suspicious or confirmed arson fires since May apparently were set by others, said state Police Lt. Gary Sloper, who added, "We do anticipate further arrests."

Sloper declined to give details, including the number of suspects and whether any acted in concert. He also refused to speculate on a motive.

No one has been killed or seriously injured in the fires that have blackened pockets of Jefferson's 52 square miles of scenic meadows, woods and hills. But there have been close calls among the village's 363 residences.

The fires began with a grass fire on May 5; a barn was the next target, and by late May the first occupied building had been struck.

As the toll of destruction mounted, many families began sleeping in shifts and abandoned vacation plans. Some residents began night patrols. Police feared vigilante violence. One child packed all her precious possessions and mailed them to relatives in other states, afraid her home would be next to burn.

Sloper said Lalumiere, a restaurant dishwasher, had been a suspect for some time.

"It's taken a great deal of time and effort to ... make sure (we had) more than a reasonable amount of evidence to present," he said.

Lalumiere reported the fire at his brother's home and was there trying to put it out when firefighters arrived, authorities said. The fire damaged the front of the building.

Lalumiere was asked to resign from the fire department after he moved to another town briefly. Jefferson requires volunteer firefighters to live within its borders.

He entered no plea during his arraignment in Lancaster, routine in felony cases in New Hampshire. He was being held in Belknap County jail in lieu of \$50,000 cash bail.

But in an interview two days after the fire at his brother's house, Lalumiere told the weekly *Cos County Democrat*: "All I tried to do was save my brother's house and this is the thanks I get."

"I have nothing to hide," he added.

Despite the dramatic news,



Lt. Sloper speaks with reporters.

many residents said their fears and doubts remain.

Some townspeople who know Lalumiere said they do not believe he is capable of single-handedly setting the fires and eluding the elaborate police surveillance in the town since summer.

Also, some point out that at least two fires occurred after Lalumiere was under constant police surveillance.

"Explain the two fires that hap-

pened after Lance was under 24-hour surveillance," Hartford said.

"We've all been up today, thinking there might be something more than (Lalumiere's arrest), but now it's kind of blah."

Lalumiere has been staying at a motel in Jefferson since August. William Perkins, who has lived there since his home burned in May, said he also doubts Lalumiere is involved.

"I think they've got the wrong fish in a cage," Perkins said.

Base-closings legislation passes both houses

WASHINGTON (AP)—Military bases built to protect stagecoach routes from attacking Indians or the nation's East Coast from British gunboats may finally be closed under legislation which the Pentagon says could save up to \$5 billion a year.

"Congress handed, begrudgingly, the administration an axe. They shouldn't hesitate to cut the dead wood from our domestic basing structure," said Rep. Dick Arme, R-Texas, chief

author of the bill.

The measure easily cleared the House and Senate on Wednesday and was sent to President Reagan, who is expected to sign it.

The Pentagon estimates that \$2 billion to \$5 billion a year can be saved if it is permitted to pare down the list of 3,800 U.S. military installations.

The bill sets up a complicated procedure which essentially cuts through the thicket of laws

enacted by Congress. Legislators, loathe to permit the loss of jobs which accompanies base closings, have blocked any facilities from being shut in the last 11 years.

"It's been 28 years since we've had a two-term administration of one party leaving the White House while the other party controlled Congress," said Arme. "Only under this political configuration could a base-closing bill like this get through Con-

gress."

Among the bases long cited by critics as facilities which should be closed are Fort Douglas, Utah, built more than a century ago to protect stagecoach routes; Fort Monroe, Va., built inside a moat to defend against the British invasion in the War of 1812; and Fort Sheridan, Ill., where the major features are a golf course and two beaches on Lake Michigan.

The panel will make its recommendations by Dec. 31.

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Nobel literature prize awarded first time to Arab-language author

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — Naguib Mahfouz of Egypt won the 1988 Nobel Prize for literature today. He is the first Arab-language writer to win the award in its 87-year history.

The Swedish Academy cited Mahfouz for forming "an Arabian narrative art that applies to all mankind."

The citation said his works were "rich in nuance — now clear-sightedly realistic, now evocatively ambiguous."

Mahfouz, a novelist and short story writer for 40 years, produced literature which "has meant a powerful upswing for the novel as genre and for the development of the literary language in Arabic-speaking cultural circles," the academy said.

"The range is, however, greater than that. His work speaks to us all," said the 18-member academy.

The prize carries a cash stipend of \$390,000 and probable wealth in increased book sales for the author.

Publishers and cultural page writers had urged that this year's Nobel prize for literature break from the list of European and American male laureates.

Speculation had included South African novelist and apartheid critic Nadine Gordimer, American author Joyce Carol Oates, Indian writer V.S. Naipaul and the perennially mentioned Graham Greene of Britain.

There were calls for the elite 18-member panel of the Swedish Academy to break new ground. Last year's winner was exiled Soviet poet Joseph Brodsky.

Under the tradition-bound academy's code of secrecy, no list of candidates had been re-

leased, and even seasoned Nobel observers were hard-put to guess who might win.

The academy, created 300 years ago as the guardian of the Swedish language, announced this year's laureate from its 18th-century offices in the Old Town at 1 p.m. (7 a.m. CDT). "I would say it is time for a Chinese author," said Asa Beckman, an editor at BLM, one of Sweden's leading literary magazines. She had suggested Ba Jin or female novelist Shen Rong.

Chances for a Chinese winner increased after sinologist Goran Malmqvist joined the academy in 1985.

The body of writers, scholars and literary critics also has added translators and consultants on Third World languages to broaden its scope.

The academy has an unwritten rule against giving the award the first year a candidate is nominated.

Only six women have won since the first prize in 1901. The most recent was German-Swedish poetess Nelly Sachs, who shared the prize in 1966.

There are only two women among the 18 academy members, who are elected for life.

The literature prize is one of five established by the estate of Alfred Nobel, who left a fortune from his invention and marketing of explosives. A sixth, the economics prize, was added by the Bank of Sweden in 1968.

Other Nobel prizes will be announced next week: medicine on Monday, economics on Tuesday, and physics and chemistry on Wednesday. The peace prize was given Sept. 29 to the U.N. peacekeeping forces.

Tests: Shroud not Christ's burial cloth

TURIN, Italy (AP) — Scientific tests on the Shroud of Turin indicate it is no more than 728 years old and cannot be the burial cloth of Christ, the archbishop of Turin announced today.

The scientists are "95 percent" sure of the accuracy of the tests, Cardinal Anastasio Ballestrero told a news conference.

Carbon-14 tests conducted by three laboratories put the date between 1260 and 1390, Ballestrero said.

The shroud — 14 feet, 3 inches long and 3 feet, 7 inches wide — bears a faint yellowish negative image of the front and back of a man whipped, speared, nailed to a cross and crowned with thorns.

For centuries it has been revered by some as the burial cloth of Jesus and dismissed by others as a clever forgery.

"The church believes in the image and not in the history because this image of Jesus Christ in fact is very interesting and the people believe deeply in Jesus," Ballestrero said.

The Roman Catholic Church never claimed the shroud was a holy relic but treated it with respect because of the possibility it could be.

New reports for some weeks have said the tests dated the shroud to the Middle Ages and therefore it could not be the burial cloth of Christ. Professor Luigi Gonella, scientific adviser to the Cardinal of Turin, said late last month he was told the news reports were correct.

But he said at the time that Roman Catholic Church officials still had not seen the results and were angry because

they were being "accused of trying to hide the results, accused of taking part in a conspiracy to hide the truth, of being afraid of the truth."

Laboratories at the University of Arizona, the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology at the University of Zurich and Oxford University conducted the carbon-14 tests on postage-stamp size pieces of linen snipped from the shroud in April.

The tests give a scientific basis for the age of the shroud but do nothing to solve the enduring riddle of how the image was created.

American scientists who subjected the linen to its most rigorous chemical, computer and photographic analysis concluded in 1981 that it was "a real human form of a whipped and crucified man and not the product of an artist."

They speculated it resulted from chemical changes in the linen while it was in contact with a body. Such changes could be duplicated to a degree in the laboratory, they said. But they added no method could adequately explain the shroud's image.

Gonella bristled last month at news reports that a medieval date for the shroud meant it was a fake or a fraud. "It could be a genuine work of Christian art," he said.

The carbon-14 tests were supposed to be conducted as a blind study. Each of the three laboratories was given one piece of the shroud and one piece of linen with a known date. The labs were not to know which was which, but the distinctive herringbone pattern of the shroud could have given its sample away.

Scientists have said the triple carbon dating should reveal the age of the cloth within a 200-year range.

The first mention of the possible existence of Christ's shroud came from French crusader Robert of Clari, who wrote that he saw it in 1203 in

the imperial palace in Constantinople. But the first actual records of the Shroud of Turin trace it only to Lirey, France in 1354.

The shroud was bequeathed to the pope by former King Umberto II of Italy upon his death in 1983.



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Lifestyles

Pampa Knights of Columbus plan annual awards banquet



DANIEL F. McGRATH

Frank Keim Council 2767, Knights of Columbus in Pampa, will hold a Columbus Day honors banquet and awards night on Saturday, Oct. 15 at Columbus Hall, Ward and Buckler Streets. Social hour will be from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., with dinner served at 7:30 p.m. The honors night banquet, formerly held in May, has been changed to the date nearest Columbus Day in honor of Christopher Columbus, namesake of the fraternal order. The program will follow the dinner. Reservations are required and may be made by calling H.J. (Hub) Homer, reservations chairman, at 669-9291. Grand Knight Daniel F. McGrath will serve as master of ceremonies. V. Lynn Bezner, council recorder, will lead the Pledge of Allegiance and intro-

duce McGrath. The invocation and benediction will be given by the Rev. Gary Sides, council chaplain and pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. The program will include a number of awards of appreciation for exceptional service to the order during 1987-88. Highlight of the evening will be presentation of the Knight of the Year award, given annually to the Knight demonstrating exceptional service to the council and the order. This year an award presentation will be made to the council's Family of the Year, who will not be announced until the honors banquet and award night. The evening's program will conclude with the singing of "God Bless America."

CattleWomen to hold style show, brunch

Top O' Texas CattleWomen will host their annual style show Oct. 15 at Pampa Country Club. Brunch will be served, and over 50 fashions will be modeled from 10 stores around the area. Fashions will be shown by The Ladies' Store of Shamrock; Corinne's, McLean; Andie's, Wheeler; and Nelda's Collections, Betty's, Bobee J's, Hi-Land Fashions, Michelle's and Im-



ages, all of Pampa. Door prizes will be given away during the show. The brunch will be served promptly at 10:30 a.m. Co-chairmen for the event are Nelda Stockstill of Pampa and Margaret Tolbert of Miami. Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased from any store involved or from local CattleWomen.

Sunday's walkathon to raise funds for diabetes research

AMARILLO — Approximately 25,000 people in the Texas Panhandle suffer from diabetes, a chronic disease that, along with its complications, is the third leading cause of death by disease in America. An estimated 150,000 people will die from diabetes and its complications this year. In an effort to find a cure for diabetes, the Texas Panhandle Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation is holding its fourth annual walkathon at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16 at Medi-Park. "The JDF Walk is our major fund-raiser each year. Luby's Cafeterias is our corporate sponsor this year, and they have made a generous contribution to underwrite the costs of our walk," said Loretta Moore, this year's walk chairman. Registration for the JDF-Luby's Walk '88 will begin at 12:30 p.m. at the Amarillo Garden Center in the Medical Center complex. Debbie Rhodes of Jackie Sorenson's Aerobics will lead walkers in warm-up exercises at 1 p.m., and Amarillo skydivers Bobbie Armstrong, Mark Brittain, Keith Kleman and Dino Schlöng will start the walking with a jump at 1:30. There will be hot dogs, soft drinks and ice cream, plus entertainment by local bands and groups throughout the afternoon. The entertainment schedule is as follows: 2:30 p.m. — Demonstrations by Kim's Tae-Kwon-Do 3 p.m. — The High Top Sneakers, in concert 4 p.m. — Anderson, Flesher & Key, in concert



workers sponsoring walkers with pledges and donations. The money raised goes to fund research to find a cure for diabetes and to make diabetes better to control and easier to live with for the approximately 11 million Americans who suffer from the disease. Last year the Texas Panhandle Chapter of JDF raised more than \$21,000 in fund-raising efforts and, in return, a \$33,000 JDF grant was awarded to Dr. Elmsu Beale, a diabetes researcher at Texas Tech School of Medicine. Local businesses have donated prizes as an incentive for walkers to raise money. American Airlines and the Hotel St. Marie in New Orleans will give round trip airfare and hotel accommodations for a New Orleans weekend to the corporate group leader whose walkers raise the most money. Prizes for other categories of walkers include \$10 money scratch pads from Amarillo National Bank, weekend accommodations from Fifth Seasons West, free passes to Jolly's Comedy Club, free haircut from Johnny Plant's Hair Impressions, two Sony Walkmans from Sam's Wholesale Club, dinner for two from Steak & Ale, free movie passes from UA Cinema, and free steak dinners from Western Sizzlin' Steakhouse. Other prizes include tickets to Amarillo Little Theatre and Amarillo Symphony, and free dinners at the Country Barn Steakhouse. Anyone interested in participating in this year's event should call the JDF office at 352-6418.

Corn on the cob etiquette stirs up dinnertime question

DEAR ABBY: While visiting a family in Santa Fe, we were enjoying a luscious meal of locally caught trout when we got into a discussion about how to eat corn on the cob. Four of our party ate the corn in even rows — left to right. The fifth person ate the corn in a 360-degree movement, turning it round and round. Then ensued a serious discussion concerning the "socially acceptable" way to eat corn on the cob. So, Dear Abby, please tell us: Should one eat corn on the cob straight across or round and round? I am sure there are far more pressing worldly matters, but we would like a little input from you, if possible. MAY AND DON, SANTA FE, N.M. DEAR MAY AND DON: Those who are sticklers for socially acceptable table manners are not likely to serve corn on the cob. (It's wonderful for picnics and outdoor barbecues, however.) I can speak only for myself, but I gnaw the kernels off the cob beginning at the far left — and proceed across the cob. Then I rotate the cob and sink my teeth into the kernels above the "row" already eaten. (Something like playing a harmonica.)

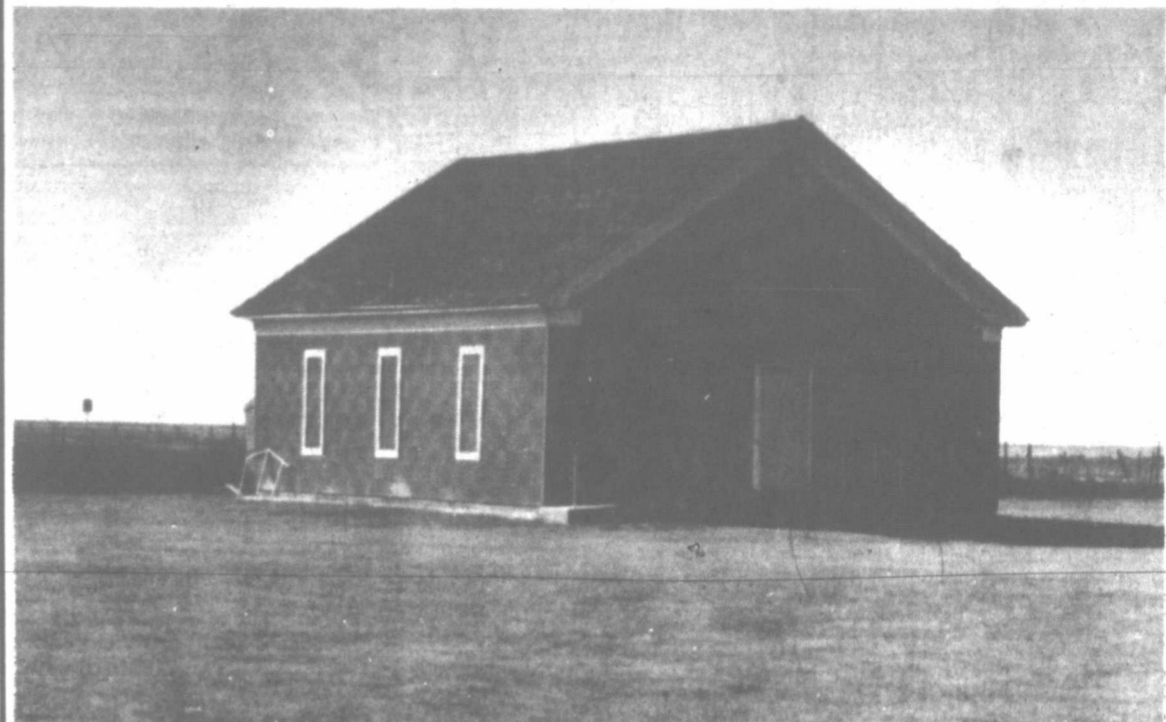


Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

I don't know about the folks in Santa Fe, but that's the way we Iowans eat it. DEAR ABBY: Please help me. I am being deluged with "get well" wishes from friends and fans ever since The Associated Press put out a release saying, "Christine Jorgensen, the ex-GI whose sex-change operation nearly 40 years ago led to a career as an author, lecturer and nightclub performer, is dying of cancer." That paragraph appeared adjacent to the obituaries in the San Francisco Chronicle! Abby, I had cancer surgery last year, but to paraphrase Mark Twain: "The reports of my imminent demise are greatly exaggerated." Will you please help me spread the word? Thank you. CHRISTINE JORGENSEN

DEAR CHRISTINE: I just did. Good luck and God bless you. DEAR ABBY: I have a friend I see quite often. Whenever she sees me, she asks, "Is that new?" — referring to my dress, purse, shoes or a piece of costume jewelry, just anything I happen to be wearing. I really like her, so I always tell her whether it's new or not, even though I find that question very irritating. Is there something I could say to get her to stop asking this annoying question? ANNOYED DEAR ANNOYED: A few suggestions. Choose one. (If it doesn't work, try another.) Her: "Is that new?" You: (1) "I really like you, but what difference does it make?" (2) "I really like you, but why do you want to know?" (3) "I really like you, but I wish you wouldn't keep asking me that question." DEAR ABBY: You said you were interested in "unusual" names: I had a friend in school whose name was Bertha Mae Leake. Her brother was Raymond Will Leake. They were both nice kids and deserved better. MRS. RUSSELL DIXON, WILLOW STREET, PA.

Raising the roof



(Staff Photo by Dee Dee Larsener)

Wayside Club is seeking donations to help finance repairs to the roof of the Little Red Schoolhouse on Texas Highway 70 north of Pampa in Roberts County. The club needs over \$1,000 in additional funds by Tuesday, Oct. 18 in order to take advantage of a bid to re-roof the structure; \$1,300 is already in an account for the project. The wood-shingle roof is leaking, and club members fear the

roof may eventually cave in unless repaired. Total cost of using tin, the least expensive way to re-roof the building, is approximately \$2,400. Cecil Gill, Roberts County Historical Society representative, said the tin was an acceptable replacement since the historical marker at the site was not on the building itself. Donations may be mailed to Wayside Club, Rt. 1 Box 38A, Pampa 79065.

Stretching eases back pain

NEW YORK (AP) — Getting out of bed in the morning is an agonizing experience for many low back pain sufferers, but fitness specialists recommend a way to get them going — muscle-stretching exercises in bed. "As long as no back spasms are present, with pain shooting down the legs, I try to get my outpatients into light exercise as soon as they can," says Dr. Vincent Moriarty, an orthopedic surgeon and clinical instructor at the State University of New York Health Sciences Center in Brooklyn. For many, backache is most acute in the mornings when climbing out of bed. "Exercise is the only way to prevent backache and the only way to cure it," he says. The bed-borne exercises, developed by exercise and physiology expert Frank Latella, of Port Chester, N.Y., are designed to strengthen and stretch the hamstring, buttocks and abdomen, as well as lower back muscles. Moriarty says that a good mattress can make a difference for both sleeping and exercise. "A mattress should be firm and offer the support to keep the spine from slumping or sagging," he says. Marion Artinger, a furniture designer and consultant to ARCO Chemical Company, says mattresses made of high density polyurethane foam (1.8 pounds or more) provide excellent deep-down support. Both Moriarty and Latella recommend that people with back problems consult their physicians before starting the exercise program. Latella says that "like any exercise, the workout should be preceded by a warmup.

"First rock your head gently forward and backward, then side to side on the pillow. The action stimulates movement in the cervical vertebrae (neck) and loosens the adjacent muscle systems." This should be followed by a series of limbering maneuvers, he says, beginning with relaxed, sustained total-body stretches. "Stretch only to the point of mild but relaxed tension. Hold for 20 to 30 seconds," he says. "If you experience pain, you're stretching too much. If your normal breathing is inhibited, you are overdoing it as well. Easing up on the stretch should let you breathe naturally again." The fitness expert says the following workout should take about 10 to 15 minutes. In each case, the lesser number is for beginners: Leg hugs — Lying flat on your back, draw one leg up slightly. Place both hands behind the knee and "hug" the leg toward your chest 10 to 20 times. Curl ups — Still flat on your back, point your toes as far as you can, then curl them. With the toes still curled, lift your leg 8 inches off the mattress and hold for 10 seconds. Repeat 10-20 times. Repeat with the other leg. Side leg lifts — Lying on your side, lift the upper leg 8 inches and hold for 10 seconds. Repeat 10-20 times. Turn over and do the same with the other leg. Hamstring stretch — Drop your left leg over the edge of the bed with the foot touching the floor. Meanwhile, stretch the right leg straight on the bed. Stretch your hamstrings by bending the right ankle up and

straightening the knee, and slowly bending and reaching forward toward the knee for a count of 25-30. Then switch to the other leg. Hip lifts — With both legs hanging over the edge of the bed, straighten your left leg. At the same time, raise your left hip off the mattress. Repeat 10-20 times and switch to the other leg and hip. Benders — Lying back with legs apart and feet firmly on the floor, slowly bend forward from the waist, reaching as full a range of motion as possible without pain. With each exercise, your head will get closer and closer to the floor. "Even healthy patients can benefit from this morning constitutional in bed," says Moriarty. "The exercises make you feel stronger and less stiff in the joints." Moriarty and Latella both recommend that when sleeping, those prone to backache lie either on their sides with knees drawn up — the traditional fetal position — or on their backs with a pillow under the head and another under the knees. For those who can sleep only on their stomachs, the surgeon advises placing a pillow under the abdomen to keep the spine straight.

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 - Fixe (obsession)
 - Roman bronze
 - Heating apparatus
 - Fed agent
 - Montana river
 - French coin
 - Tax agency
 - Insect egg
 - Engine parts
 - Presumes
 - Stinging insects
 - College deg.
 - Layer of tissue
 - Per
 - Freshwater porpoise
 - Strike out
 - Gravel ridge
 - Quantity of one baking
 - Comedian Jimmy
 - Cornelia Skinner
 - Future bks
 - Ape
 - Snow runner
 - Name for a cat
 - Flower
 - Cross inscription
 - Grande
 - Cherished
 - Ireland
 - Poetic contraction
 - City in Norway
 - Ornamental pattern
 - Aircraftman
- DOWN**
- Future LL.Bs. exam
 - Fencing sword
 - Direction
 - Jewish nationalist
 - Actress Gardner
 - Loch monster
 - Short sword
 - Sharp turn
 - Entrance fee
 - Come close
 - Longs (sl.)
 - Octane numbers (abbr.)
 - Auto workers' union (abbr.)
 - Set up (golf ball)
 - Irate
 - Smooth
 - Arm bone
 - Newspaper opinion column
 - Runnered vehicle
 - Varmint
 - Sea pheasant
 - Astringent
 - Opera division
 - Author Caldwell
 - As far as know
 - Heavens
 - Fashionable beach resort
 - Greek god
 - Regarding (2 wds.)
 - Shade producer
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 - New City
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 - Outside portion

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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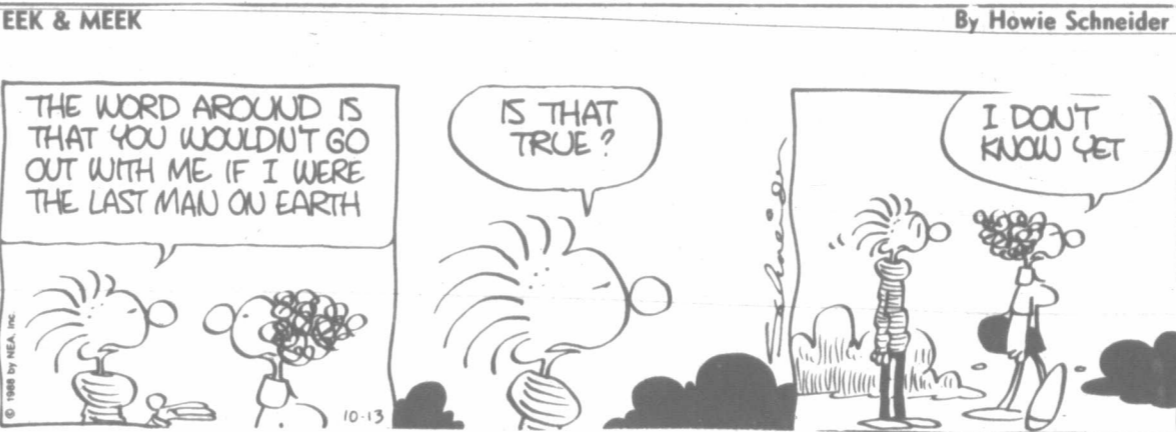
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Astro-Graph

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) An important plan should work out as anticipated, but today you might be influenced by another and make some unwise changes. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Even though you may be expecting additional funds, it's best to operate from what you have on hand. This way you won't be inconvenienced if you suffer any delays.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Be cautious today if you're involved with someone who you think is promising more than can be delivered. If you ignore your better judgment, you could have regrets.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Watch your step today so that you don't get careless and talk too freely about a confidential matter to a person who has a problem keeping secrets.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A manipulator in your peer group may try to involve you in something today that is self-serving, but not to you. Don't snap at the bait.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) The limb you're out on today is rather weak. Don't press your luck too far in situations where your reputation is on the line.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be extra careful today regarding mental tasks or assignments that are so routine you do them by rote. They're the ones where you could have slip-ups and make your biggest mistakes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) There may be more to your commercial dealings today than meets the eye. If you're offered something on the side for going along with the deal, take a hard second look.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Unless you are sincere about your intentions, it's best not to make commitments or agreements today. Be doubly sure people with whom you deal aren't playing games.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Quantity should not be more important today than quality. What has the appearance of a big bargain could, in reality, be merely a lot of inflated fragments.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It's OK to relax and have a good time today, provided you don't overindulge. You could blow your diet or health program in one fell swoop.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your household budget can only be stretched so far before it snaps. Wait until you can pay cash for what you want instead of having to make drawn out payments.

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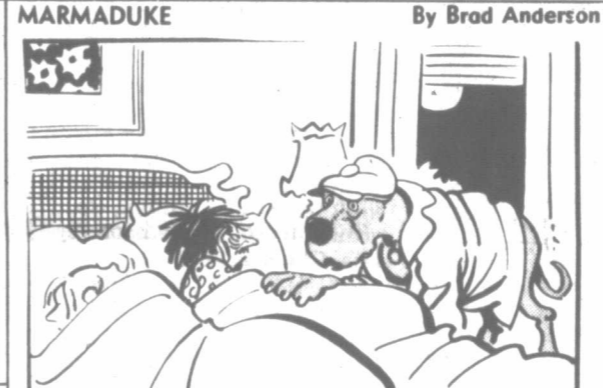
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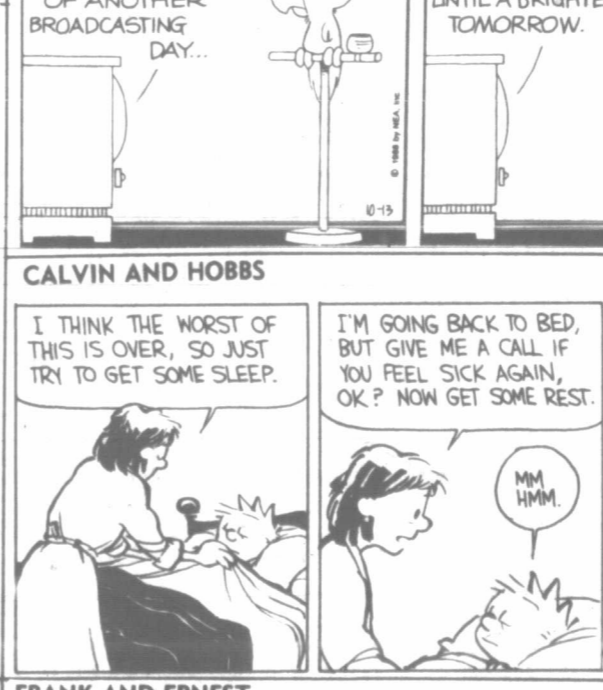
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Energy officials see 'bad trend' in nuclear manufacturing

By BRYAN BRUMLEY
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Safety problems that halted production of U.S. nuclear weapons materials expose a "bad trend" and a "sense of complacency" in the operations of nuclear plants, top Energy Department officials said Tuesday.

"The risks we are facing are serious," said Richard Starostecki, deputy assistant energy secretary for safety, health and quality assurance.

Energy Secretary John S. Herrington said Tuesday that the government will not be able to manufacture nuclear weapons materials for 2½ months because of safety problems, but he said that raises no threat to national security.

The department had planned to restart one of its three nuclear weapons reactors at its Savannah River Plant in South Carolina as early as next month, but now does not expect the first of them to reach full operation until January, Herrington said.

Starostecki, interviewed on CBS *This Morning*, said the nation's aging nuclear weapons manufacturing plants must remain in operation for another 10 to 15 years while they are being replaced.

The Savannah River reactors began operations in 1954.

"These are the only supplies we have for our national security," said Starostecki. "We're

trying to take measures now before the situation does degrade."

Herrington spoke Tuesday at a news conference called to defuse criticism of the Energy Department not only over the Savannah River plant in Aiken, S.C., but also over radioactive contamination at the Rocky Flats plant northwest of Denver, Colo., and over allegedly lax security at weapons laboratories in New Mexico and California.

All three of the reactors, which began operation in 1954, have been closed down for maintenance and safety checks amid a wave of publicity about lax safety precautions.

'We will meet the defense needs of this country in a safe manner and an environmentally sensitive manner.'

The department, said Herrington, "will not operate unsafe reactors. We will meet the defense needs of this country in a safe manner and an environmentally sensitive manner."

Herrington's deputy, Joseph F. Salgado, outlined what he called a "phased restart."

It will include supervision by a senior manager at Savannah River and a review of safety at various milestones during the four weeks officials say will be needed to take the first reactor to full

power.

Salgado said he foresaw no shortage of tritium, one of two nuclear weapons materials produced at Savannah River. The facility, the only federal nuclear weapons plant on active status, also produces plutonium, which does not decay as quickly as tritium and is said to be in abundant supply.

"We are comfortable that Savannah River will operate at a sufficient level to meet the tritium needs of the future," Salgado said.

In related developments Tuesday: President Reagan voiced concern about the nuclear plant safety problem during a meeting with top Defense and Energy department officials, chief of staff Kenneth Duberstein said.

Duberstein quoted Reagan as saying the administration is "committed to making sure that all safety precautions are taken and that all rules and regulations be followed."

The chairman of E. I. du Pont Nemours and Co., which operates Savannah River under contract for the Energy Department, reacted angrily to claims that company employees had a lax attitude toward safety.

R. E. Heckert said du Pont was "caught in a political cross-fire" between the Energy Department and Capitol Hill.

Officials said the shutdown of the Rocky Flats' main plutonium processing plant on Saturday virtually halted production at the nuclear weapons

plant.

Congressional researchers said the Energy Department has admitted hundreds of visitors from communist and nuclear-sensitive nations into its nuclear weapons labs at Sandia, Los Alamos and Livermore without required security checks.

Sen. John Glenn, D-Ohio, said the cost of cleaning up radioactive and hazardous waste at Energy Department nuclear facilities is estimated at \$150 billion to \$175 billion.

He cited estimates by Energy Department officials and the General Accounting Office.

"It will take 20 years, even if we know how to do the cleanup," Glenn said, adding that "safety and health matters too often took a back seat" to production goals at the department's nuclear facilities.

It was not clear how Glenn, the chairman of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee, made the estimate.

A report issued at the Savannah River plant estimated that cleaning up the facility could cost as much as \$6.5 billion.

The estimate, by the GAO, was markedly higher than an earlier Energy Department forecast of \$285 million for cleanup of 69 waste sites at the plant.

Salgado pointedly avoided a verbal battle with Heckert, the du Pont chairman.

Tom Phillips tops list for contributions

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Supreme Court Justice Tom Phillips, who has imposed a \$5,000 cap on individual contributions to his campaign, raised more than \$560,000 to outdistance all other court candidates in contributions over the last three months.

Phillips, who was appointed to the court by Gov. Bill Clements and is trying to become the first Republican elected chief justice, raised \$564,552 from July through September, according to campaign finance statements filed with the secretary of state's office.

Nine of 13 candidates in the six races for a seat on the state's highest civil appeals court filed campaign finance reports by Monday.

Reports were due to the secretary of state by 5 p.m., but they are not considered late if mailed and postmarked Monday.

According to the financial disclosure reports, more than \$2 million in the past three months has poured into the campaign coffers of Texas Supreme Court candidates.

Phillips said in a prepared statement, "My campaign for chief justice of the Supreme Court continues to draw widespread support from the people of Texas. The people of Texas have responded to my message of fairness and integrity."

His opponent, Democrat Justice Ted Robertson raised \$506,215 during the reporting period.

The contest between Phillips and Robertson has become a showcase for competing interests in the courtroom.

Phillips has drawn much of his financial support from medical and insurance interests, while Robertson is backed by many personal injury lawyers.

Phillips and Robertson also are opposed on the method of selecting judges.

Phillips said he favors a change from the current system of partisan elections to some sort of merit selection, while Robertson is a proponent of the current process.

In the Place 1 seat, former state Sen. Lloyd Doggett of Austin faces Republican Paul Murphy, a judge from the 14th District Court of Appeals in Houston.

Doggett raised \$172,964 from July through September, while Murphy received \$126,380 in contributions.

Disclosure statements for the Place 2 candidates, Justice William Kilgarlin, a Democrat, and Republican Nathan Hecht, a judge on the 5th District Court of Appeals, were not available.

In Place 3, Justice Raul Gonzalez, the only Hispanic in Texas to win election to a statewide post, raised \$133,820, according to the reports. His opponent, Republican Ben Howell, a member of the 5th District Court of Appeals in Dallas, has said he does not intend to accept campaign contributions.

The Libertarian candidate Calvin Scholz has not reported any contributions.

In Place 4, Justice Barbara Cluver, a Republican from Midland, reported raising \$201,046, while her Democratic opponent, Jack Hightower, former state senator and congressman, reported contributions of \$96,234.

In Place 5, Justice Eugene Cook, a Republican, reported raising \$154,450, while Democrat Karl Bayer, an Austin personal injury lawyer, reported contributions of \$97,192.

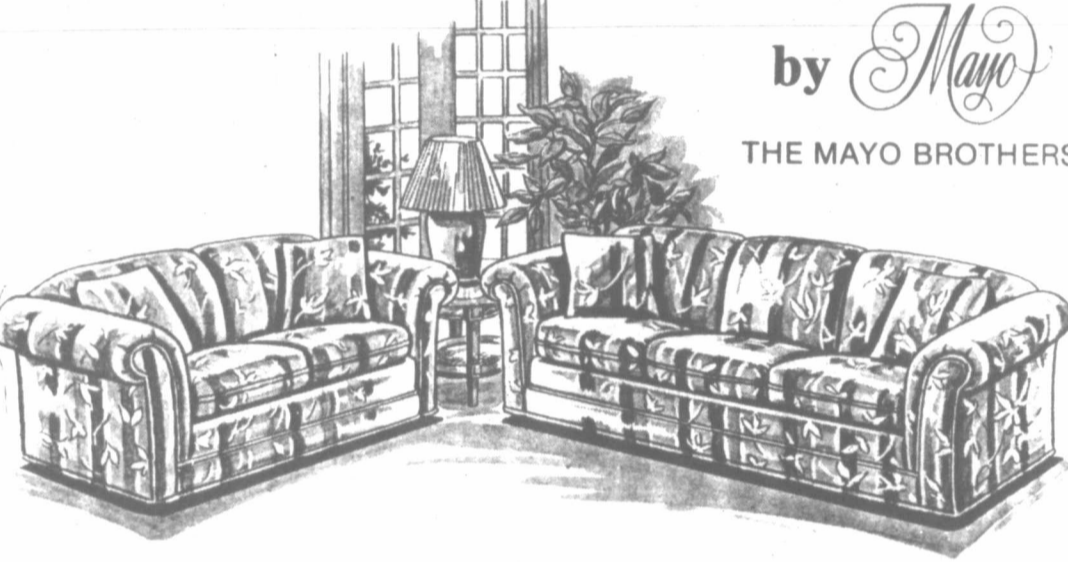
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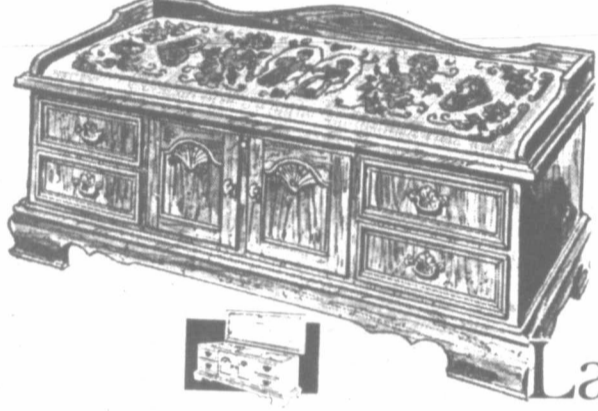
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