

World and Nation

Texas selected as super collider site

From Associated Press reports

WASHINGTON — Texas beat out six other states Thursday in a high-stakes race to capture the \$4.4 billion superconducting super collider, which, if Congress finds the money to build it, would be the largest scientific instrument ever constructed.

The announcement by Energy Department Secretary John Herrington drew immediate howls of protest from the six losing states, where officials had waged a year-long battle to win the giant atom-smasher and the jobs and scientific prestige that will accrue to the project's home state.

"The Texas decision has a strong smell of White House politics," said Sen. Donald Riegle, D-Mich. "We and the other five finalist states got a raw deal."

Illinois officials also were angered,

with House Minority Leader Robert Michel calling on the president to review Herrington's decision declaring Texas the preferred site for what the department will name the Ronald Reagan Center for High Energy Physics.

Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., and Sen. Dennis DeConcini, D-Ariz., said they were asking Reagan and president-elect George Bush to halt confirmation of the site until the General Accounting Office reviews the choice and an independent commission evaluates Herrington's rationale.

Herrington said the Texas site — some 16,000 farm acres in Ellis County 35 miles south of Dallas — was "superior" to the others for building the collider, a 53-mile underground tunnel capable of whipping proton beams into each other with 20 times the force of the world's most powerful existing particle

accelerator.

The site would best "permit the highest level of research productivity and effectiveness" at a reasonable cost of construction and with minimal impact on the environment, Herrington said.

"I have to tell you there are no politics in this," Herrington told a news conference attended by such prominent Texans as House Speaker Jim Wright and Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, both Democrats, and Sen. Phil Gramm, a Republican.

The decision was announced two days after Bush, an adopted Texan, was elected president.

In addition to Arizona, Illinois and Michigan, the other finalists were Colorado, North Carolina and Tennessee.

Questions remain whether money ever will be appropriated to build the super collider, an unprecedentedly

powerful machine that physicists hope will help them explain the very origin of matter itself.

Many in Congress argue the project will starve other more useful scientific research. Congress has kept the project on a short leash, and only agreed to provide \$100 million this year for research and engineering design. None of that may be used for construction.

Nonetheless, states eagerly sought the project, which is expected to create 3,000 scientific jobs and 3,500 construction jobs, great prestige and a non-polluting industry with untold scientific spinoffs for the host state.

Herrington said the collider is absolutely necessary to keep scientific leadership in the United States.

"Most of the leadership in high-energy physics is headed for Europe," he said. "We need to keep those people in the United States."

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Judge orders Bakkers, former aide to repay PTL \$7.5 million

From Associated Press reports

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Jim and Tammy Bakker, along with a former top aide, must repay \$7.5 million to PTL for taking more money from the television ministry than they deserved, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Rufus Reynolds ordered Thursday.

Reynolds said he determined that the Bakkers and former PTL vice president David Taggart were overpaid during their last four years at the ministry.

The current PTL administration, in a lawsuit filed in February, originally sought more than \$50 million from the Bakkers and Taggart.

Reynolds said Jim Bakker, who founded PTL and left in March 1987 after admitting to a tryst with former church secretary Jessica Hahn, must pay PTL \$4.9 million. Tammy Bakker, his wife and former co-host of the PTL Club television show, must repay \$677,397, and Taggart must repay \$1 million.

In addition, Reynolds ordered, Bakker and Taggart jointly must repay PTL another \$1 million.

Secret jet fighter revealed

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Air Force has been flying a "Stealth" radar-evading jet fighter for seven years, and now has about 50 of the planes at an isolated base in Nevada, the Pentagon acknowledged Thursday.

Partially lifting a veil of secrecy that has enveloped the plane from its birth, the Pentagon and Air Force released a photograph of the unusual aircraft but declined to discuss its capabilities. The limited disclosures were made now because the Air Force needs to start flying the craft in daylight, a spokesman said.

The Pentagon said the plane had been declared operational and ready for wartime missions in October 1983, but that it first flew in June 1981.

The photograph released by the Pentagon depicts a relatively small, swept-wing plane with a flat underbelly. It somewhat resembles a black or dark blue Stingray with

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no exterior markings.

The swept-back wings would suggest the plane is capable of flying at supersonic speeds, but the Air Force declined to discuss the matter. Military sources have said the plane is designed for sneak ground attacks and not air-to-air dogfighting.

The Air Force has ordered 59 of the planes and 52 of them have been delivered, Howard said. Three of the planes have crashed and two pilots have been killed, the Air Force added.

Senate races over

MIAMI — Conservative Republican Rep. Connie Mack III won a cliffhanger race over Rep. Kenneth "Buddy" MacKay, a moderate Democrat, for the seat being relinquished by three-term Democratic Sen. Lawton Chiles.

Mack's narrow victory, based on absentee ballots counted Thursday, decided the last of this year's 33 Senate races. It means the Democrats will have a 55-45 majority, a gain of one seat, in the new U.S. Senate.

Hitler era praised

BONN, West Germany — The president of parliament called the early years of the Hitler era a "glorious" time for many Germans, triggering a walkout during the government's ceremony Thursday marking the Kristallnacht.

The remarks by Philipp Jenninger led to demands for his resignation by members of the opposing Greens and Social Democrats, who were among about 50 who marched out of the hall during the nationally televised speech to parliament.

Jenninger's address threatened to overshadow West Germany's carefully planned ceremonies marking the 50th anniversary of the Kristallnacht, the night the Nazis began their first organized push against the Jews.

Faculty

basis with a faculty member.

"We're trying to get them and keep them excited about graduate education," O'Connor said. "Hopefully, they'll make a difference."

Gillian Cell, dean of the College

of Arts and Sciences, said active recruitment should improve the low numbers of black faculty members at UNC. "We try to take a very active stance rather than just advertising and hoping black candidates will

apply," she said.

Identifying potential employees early and inviting black faculty from other institutions to give lectures and see the campus are other aspects of active recruitment, Cell said.

Retention is important, too, Hershey said. "We have worked hard to maintain the very excellent black faculty members that we currently have."

UNC competes with salaries, research support and equipment at other institutions, Cell said. Reten-

tion also depends on offers and resources, spouse employment, and reputation, she said.


"There are a lot of intangibles," she said. "People don't just leave because they got an offer from somewhere else."

O'Connor said the University would intensify its retention efforts to keep next year's employment level more stable than this year's.

"I would hope that it's just an isolated, bizarre case, but one can't assume that," he said. "We have to take steps to correct it."

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The committee's approval will be important if the proposal is accepted by the BOT, Blanks said. "I think any endorsement will help," she said. "The more people who realize the importance of the Black Cultural Center,

the more useful the BCC will be.

"The BCC of this campus would make a statement to the nation about UNC's commitment to minorities," she said.

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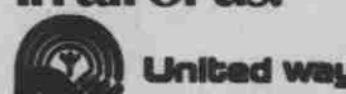
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