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Tutu says he'll SHOE defy restrictions against funerals

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IOHANNESBURG, South Africa - Bishop Desmond Tutu quieted tensions at a funeral for black riot victims Thursday, persuading police to withdraw and angry mourners to be calm.

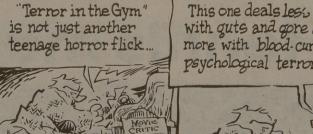
But the Nobel Peace Prize winner also pledged to defy funeral restrictions proclaimed by the white government. "I listen to God, not any other authority," he said. "I will con-tinue to speak at all meetings, responsibly, as a minister." Witnesses said Tutu personally

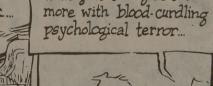
imposed calm on an explosive situation in Tumahole, a riot-torn black township near Parys, 62 miles south of Johannesburg. At his urging, po-lice withdrew from the path of the funeral procession, and he told the 1,000 mourners: "For goodness sake, let us stop doing things we're

going to be ashamed of!" Police said Tutu's remarks and the funeral did not violate the rules because Tumahole is not in an emergency area. It was held in a community hall. Under the new restrictions, de-

creed under the state of emergency put into force July 21 in 36 towns and cities, only ordained ministers may speak and they may not men-tion politics.

Tutu said later that he would speak next Tuesday at the funeral of riot victims in Daveyton, a township near Johannesburg that is in an emergency area.







Manufacturers of AIDS drug say testing may begin in U.S.

Associated Press

PARIS — 'The producers of the chemical used in actor Rock Hudson's AIDS treatment say controlled clinical trials of the substance, HPA 23, may start soon in the United States. But they warn against excessive optimism.

One American AIDS victim who has undergone 10 weeks' treatment in Paris with HPA 23, Bob White, says it appears to have stabilized his case, though not those of some other Americans receiving the treatment.

White, leading efforts to allow the Americans to continue HPA 23 treatment back home, said his im-mune system remains "depleted" but 'I have no longer any active AIDS virus, I have no current infection, I swim 1,000 yards a day and live in a fifth-floor walk-up.'

He said, however, his treatment started within weeks of his AIDS di-agnosis in February and "it only works on early-stage patients." Among about 10 other Americans getting HPA 23, he said, "some are not out to as healthy and have had in

not quite as healthy and have had infections.'

Film star Hudson was treated for six weeks last year with HPA 23, his Paris spokeswoman Yannou Collart said Wednesday. But when he re-turned here July 20 his condition was not considered suitable for further treatment. He was flown back to Los Angeles on Monday.

Dr. Yves Champey, vice president for medical and scientific devel-opment at the government-owned chemical company Rhone-Poulenc Sante, which makes HPA 23, said new trials will start in France "in the coming weeks" on up to 150 pa-

"In seven to eight months we will have at least preliminary results and some hard facts to work on" about the effect of HPA 23 at various dosages and its side effects, he told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

Patients will be chosen for the tests "as early as possible after diagnosis," he said. He stressed that HPA 23 is still only a chemical compound and not a developed drug.

In the United States, the compa-ny's American branch, Rhone-Pou-lenc Pharmaceuticals, is expected to file for Food and Drug Administration permission for clinical trials "in three to four weeks, maximum," Champey said.

The FDA has said it could "turn around" the application within two weeks.

by Jeff MacNelly Astronauts probe energy emissions of massive stars

Associated Press

SPACE CENTER, Houston Challenger's astronauts zapped a sa-tellite with an electron beam gun

tellite with an electron beam gun Thursday to duplicate in miniature the powerful energy fields of stars. A $6\frac{1}{2}$ -foot free-flying satellite called the Plasma Diagnostics Pack-age was hit with a jolt from the gun aboard the space shuttle. The astro-nauts said they could see flashes of light as the beam followed natural light as the beam followed natural magnetic lines to the satellite.

Scientists on the ground called the demonstration "a fabulous success." The experiment duplicated on a small scale the bolts of electron en-

ergy that astronomers have dectected flashing in deep space be-tween large stars many light years apart. It's hoped that data gathered by the PDP will help explain the phenomena

NASA engineers evaluated the amount of rocket propellant left on board Challenger and studied the possibility of raising the shuttle's low orbit. Scientists hoped the orbit could be raised 8 to 10 miles to enhance data being gathered by a de-vice studying the abundance of helium in the sun.

Challenger went into a lower-than-expected orbit when a rocket engine shut down during its launch Monday. The spacecraft is circling Earth at 195 miles, 46 miles lower than planned.

This degrades some of the data

being gathered by science in ments and even a small increase altitude would be an improvement scientists said. A decision could made as late as Friday. Scientists in a ground control

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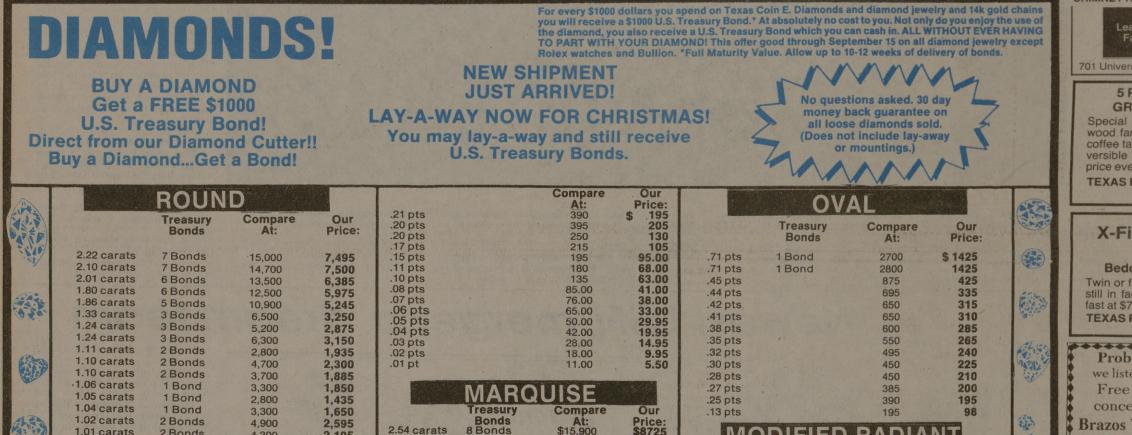
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Other parts of the complex, man-made pointing device working, however, and prog manager John Thomas said the vice was a qualified success.

"Considering the totality of system, it has performed as we pected," said Thomas. He said wh impendin nesses to fed fine-tuned aiming inform from an adjacent telescope, pointing device was able to a rately track targets on the sun.

An infrared spectrum an telescope was operated for the fin time Wednesday, and Urban suc collected new readings about heat energy of distant stars.

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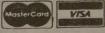
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