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**DICK FAILOR--**

**NEW REGIONAL  
DEPUTY DIRECTOR**

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## cover story

.. Meet the new Regional Deputy Director, Richard L. "Dick" Failor. He took over his new position on Monday, June 16, 1975, after leaving Fort Worth Texas, where he was the Executive Officer of the FAA's Southwest Region.

Born in Hutchinson, Minnesota, on September 24, 1934, Failor served in the U.S. Air Force from 1952-56 as an Air Traffic Controller. He joined the FAA in October 1958 and served as an Air Traffic Controller at the Minneapolis Air Route Traffic Control Center (ARTCC) until 1966. Then, for one year he was the Employee Development Officer in Minneapolis and in Washington, D.C. From 1967-68 he worked in the Air Traffic Service in FAA Headquarters, Washington, D.C. He attended the Stanford University National Institute of Public Affairs Career Education Award Program in 1968-69. In 1969-70, Failor was a senior planning specialist in the Office of Aviation Policy and Plans, returning to Air Traffic Service in 1970. Then he went to the field in October 1970 when he became Deputy Chief in 1970 and Chief in 1971 of the Chicago ARTCC. Then he was a participant in the FAA Executive Development Program during 1972 and 1973, moving to the Southwest Region in May 1973, first as the Appraisal Officer and finally as the Executive Officer.

Failor attended the University of Minnesota where he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration in 1964. He obtained a Master of Science Degree at Stanford University in 1969, and has also attended the American University in Washington D.C.

He and his wife, Claudia, have five children: Jeffrey, 11; Richard, 13; Jill, 15; Julie, 17; and Gregory, 18. Richard accompanied Mr. Failor to Anchorage. His wife and three of the children are still in Fort Worth, awaiting the sale of their home. All but Gregory, who is a student at the University of Minnesota, will eventually move to Anchorage. Cover photograph by Regional Photographer Hermann Kurrieger.



## Webb To Retire

Director of the Pacific-Asia Region Jack G. Webb is scheduled to retire on June 27 after 32 years of service with the agency.

Joseph B. Nestor, Deputy Director, will be serving as acting director of the region until a successor is named. Webb joined the agency in 1942 as a Civilian Pilot Training Program flight supervisor in the agency's Western Region. He was a winner of the Department's second highest award, Meritorious Achievement. Jack Webb was the Alaskan Region Director from August 1970 to June 1972.

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ARTCC RECEIVES REGION AWARD--Director Lyle K. Brown, left, presented the Region's Air Route Traffic Control Center of the Year Award during the Chiefs & Supervisors Conference. Receiving the award jointly were Jerome Lardy, center, Chief of the Fairbanks Center at the time it was combined with the Anchorage Center, and Robert Altizer, right, Chief of the Anchorage Center.

## AWARDS



A--LAUDED...Joe Girth, center, and Ron Forsyth, right, were presented Letters of Commendation by Dan Rogers, Chief, Engineering Branch, for their efforts in the Facilities Technical Inspection Program. B--ECK AWARDED...Linda Eck, steno-clerk, received a Special Achievement Award from Larry Snell, Chief, Real Estate & Utilities Branch. C--LENSETH REWARDED FOR EFFORT...Arthur Lenseth, Warehouseman, was given a Special Achievement Award by Margaret Walker, Chief, Materiel Management Branch.





## STAFFING SET FOR AF

A three-year project to create a staffing standard for the agency's Airway Facilities work force is near completion. Staffing standards provide a tool for predicting staffing needs based on an examination of the amount of man-hours required to do specified work. The new AF standard, when approved, will replace the existing one which is based on 10-year-old data. Each year, beginning this fall, a computer will print out the number of employees needed to perform maintenance at each Airway Facility Sector and subsector in the agency. These results will be obtained by applying the staffing standard to the different types of facilities in the sectors. Headquarters will then ask the sectors to comment on the number of employees the standard shows are needed. The results are analyzed by agency management and become the basis of FAA's requests for resources in the budget process. The staffing standard and implementing instructions are expected to be published in an agency order next January. Undertaken jointly by the Airway Facilities Service and the Office of Management Systems with noteworthy assistance from the field, the project drew some 500,000 reports from technicians on their specific duties and also included on-site observation of job activity by regional and Headquarters personnel.



## CHANGES IN AIR/GROUND

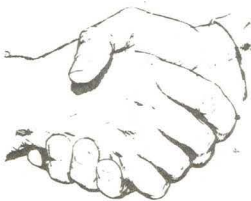
The agency has compiled and published proposals that will be considered during FAA's First Biennial Operations Review. The first conference will be held next December in Washington. Like the Airworthiness Review Program, the Operations Review is aimed at eliminating the traditional piecemeal way of amending regulations. The compilation, which will be distributed to all persons who submitted proposals, includes proposed amendments to rules on aircraft maintenance, airmen certification, general operations, certification and operations of air carriers, air travel clubs and schools.

## ORDERS CANCELED

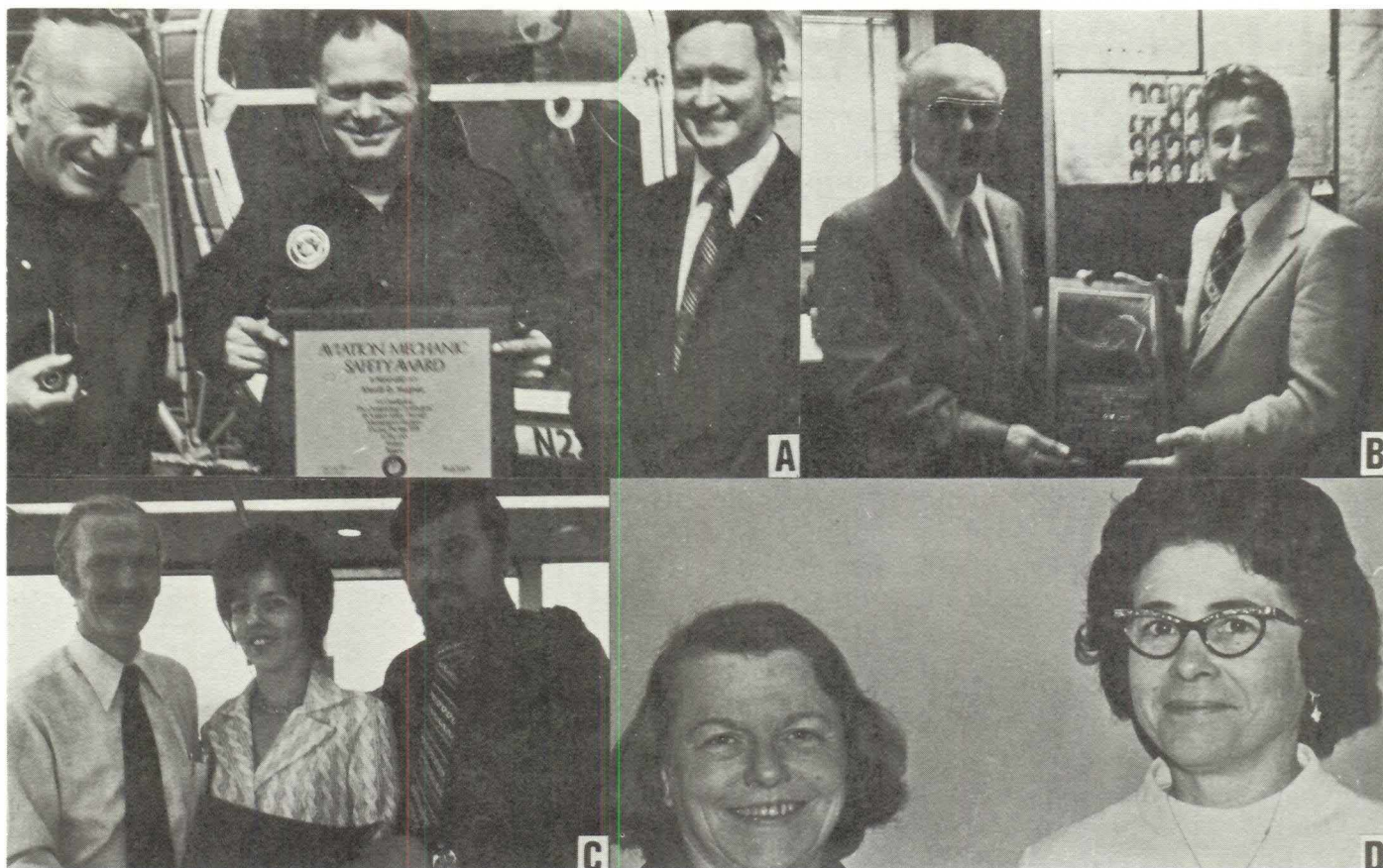
The Logistics Service announces the cancellation of agency order 1200.20, Hotel Reservations for Official Visitors to the FAA Headquarters, dated 12 May 72. The Office of Information Services announces the cancellation of obsolete Order IS 1910.1A, Office of I & S Defense Readiness Plan. These cancellations will appear in the cancelled section of the next Directives Checklist.

## New SRDS Deputy

Robert W. Wedan, who has been director of technical programs at the Transportation Systems Center in Cambridge, Mass., since 1969, has been appointed Deputy Director of Systems Research and Development Service. Before joining NASA as a branch chief in 1966, he was a principal staff engineer at Honeywell, Inc. in St. Petersburg, Fla. A graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Wedan is an instrument-rated pilot.







A--LIVINGSTON COPTERS' EMPLOYEE WINS...Perry Gibson, right, Special Assistant to the Director of Alaska, presented the Alaskan Region Mechanic Safety Award for 1974 to Merrill D. Hughes, center. On right is Arlo Livingston, owner of Livingston Copters. B--ANCHORAGE FSS WINS REGION AWARD...John Bassler, left, Chief, Anchorage Flight Service Station, accepts the Alaskan Region 1974 Air Traffic Facility of the Year Award from Operations Specialist "Zip" Zaber. C--HELEN APPRECIATED...Helen Barclay, Clerk-typist, received Letters of Appreciation from both John McLaughlin, Cold Bay Facility Chief and John Farley, General Facility Equipment Technician/Foreman. D--VISITING ANCHORAGE...Dottie Holmes, Aviation Clerk, Fairbanks Flight Standard District Office, and Virginia Fiehler, Aviation Clerk from Juneau FSDO, visited Anchorage for orientation.



**PINNED FOR SERVICE--** LEFT...Floyd Judd, right, receives his 25-year pin from Dan Rogers of Airway Facilities Division. RIGHT...Bill Schofield, Duty Officer, was pinned by Director Lyle Brown for 25 years service.



## Selections In Washington

Important selections at Headquarters were announced last week, including several in connection with Acting Administrator Dow's 90-day emphasis program for women and minority selections. Catherine Rodiman, a budget analyst in the Office of Budget, was promoted to Program Liaison Specialist, GS-15, in the Deputy Administrator's Office. Elizabeth Moore, an auditor in the Office of Accounting and Audit, was promoted to Chief, Contract Audit Branch. Ethel Cohen, formerly Assistant Chief, Personnel Programs Division, was reassigned as Special Assistant to the Director of Personnel and Training. Cohen is also one of the five DOT women nominated by Secretary Coleman to receive this year's Federal Women's award. Carol Arnold, formerly Chief of the Labor Relations Branch, was selected as Assistant Personnel Officer in the Office of Personnel and Training. Harlan Hosler, Program Coordinator in the Deputy Administrator's Office, assumes the position of Assistant Executive Secretary in the Administrator's Office. Mercedes Cooper, Budget Analyst in the Air Traffic Service, was promoted to Budget Officer, GS-13, Budget and Fiscal Staff, European Region.



## Keeping The Cost Down

The recommendations of a study on the construction of general aviation utility (non-airline) airports that are aimed at reducing the costs of those built with Federal financial aid have been released by the agency. The study, undertaken in April 1974 "to determine how we could improve our design and construction standards and programming procedures to minimize the costs of general aviation utility airports," compared ten airports that were built with funds from the FAA's Airport Development Aid Program (ADAP) with 12 airports constructed with state monies. It found that generally those built with Federal financial assistance took longer to build and cost more. Among the study's recommendations are that FAA: • approve less expensive runway lighting systems for use at smaller airports, • allow contractors to follow local State Highway Department specifications for paving runways, • streamline its ADAP applications procedures, • provide more technical assistance to airport sponsors.

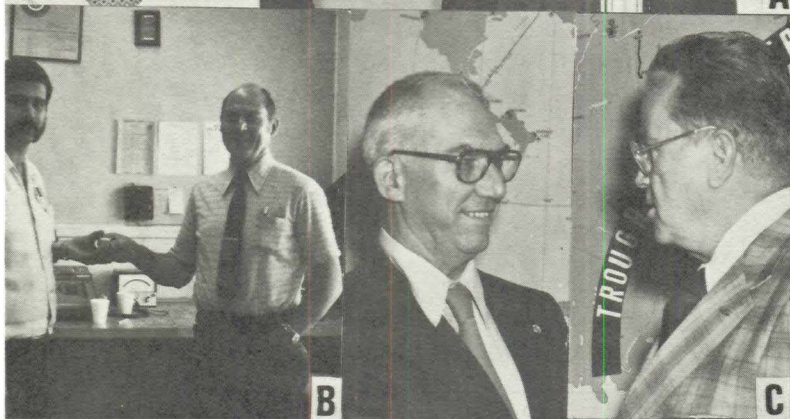


## ICAO SEEKING APPLICANTS

The following assignments are now available within the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), Technical Assistance Program (TAP). Pakistan TA-75/83 Project Manager/Training Advisor, Level 5, Step 1, Gross: \$30,540 per annum and Net (free of tax): \$21,324 per annum. Duration: 4 years and 5 months; successful expert will be offered an initial appointment of one year. TA-75/84 Senior COM/NAVAIDS Engineering Instructor, Level 4, Step 1, Gross: \$24,220 per annum and Net (free of tax): \$17,532 per annum. Duration: 2 1/2 years; successful expert will be offered an initial appointment of one year. Applications due in AIA-29 by August 21, 1975. Additional information about duties, qualifications, salary and benefits is available at your manpower office. Federal employees accepting ICAO assignments are entitled to restoration rights.



# PINNED!!!



EMPLOYEES RECEIVED YEARS-OF-SERVICE PINS--A... The Data Processing Branch employees who received pins were: (from left) Fred Campbell, 3 years; Doyle Bruner, 3 years; Cherlyn Badger, 3 years; Walt Dreyer, 3 years; Muriel Girardet, 15 years; and Rus Rustigian, 15 years. B...Richard Rodgers, left, Electronic Technician, Eielson, received his 3-year pin from Radar Supervisory ET Harry Dyer. C...Fred Biesemeyer, ET, was presented his 30-year pin by Director Lyle Brown. D...Seeing double? Acting Chief Gary Price, right, Tanana Flight Service Station, presented Air Traffic Control Specialist Gary Price his 15-year pin. E...Jack

Moore, left, Air Traffic Facility Chief, Tanana, received his 35-year pin from Director Lyle Brown. F...Executive Officer Don Keil, right, pinned a 15-year pin on Vern Green, Chief Validation Branch. G...Supervisory Air Traffic Control Specialist Clyde Sterling, left, was pinned for 25 years of service by Dee Nelson, Chief, Elmendorf RAPCON.



# Recent Promotions

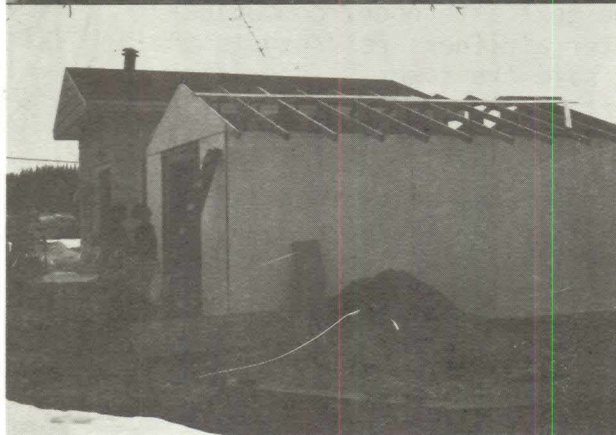
NAME	TITLE, GRADE & LOCATION	BID NUMBER
<u>MPP SELECTIONS</u>		
LEAP, GEORGE	ATCS, GS-2152-9, ANC ARTCC	74-117D
BENNETT, JAMES	SET, GS-856-12, COLD BAY AFFO	75-122A
HALL, DONALD	GFET, WG-4740-11, BIG DELTA	75-102A
BARNETT, RICHARD	AEROSPACE ENGR, GS-861-13, FSD	75-026A
FREDRICKSON, RALPH	ET, GS-856-12, AL-452	75-053A
BAKER, DAVID	GFET, WG-4740-11, AKN	75-089A
FREDERICK, DONALD	ELECTRICIAN, WG-2805-11, AL-463	75-057A
THOMPSON, JAMES	ATCS/T, GS-2152-9, JNU TWR	75-049B
OSSENKOP, CLEO	PAYROLL TECH, GS-544-06, AL-20	75-107B
PEDERSEN, MARTIN	SATCS, GS-2152-11, NORTHWAY FSS	75-068B
HUMMEL, JOHN	ATCS, GS-2152-14, ATD	75-116B
GILLINS, HERSHEL	ATCS, GS-2152-11, ANC FSS	75-043B
PELTON, BARBARA	ATCS/T, GS-2152-9, ANC TWR	75-060B
EVANOFF, LARRY	ATCS/T, GS-2152-9, MRL TWR	75-060B
NIELSEN, MARILYN	FLT DATA MONITOR, GS-301-5, ANC ARTCC	75-119B
CAREY, JAMES	ATCS/T, GS-2152-11, ANC LK HD	75-025B
LEIN, RAY	ATCS/T, GS-2152-10, KODIAK TWR	75-058B
WILSON, CHERI	FLT DATA MONITOR, GS-301-4, ANC ARTCC	75-119B
RICE, KYLE	ATCS, GS-2152-11, EIL RAPCON	75-047B
FLEECE, ERNIESTINE	EMPL DIV SPEC, GS-235-5, AL-17	75-115B
HESTER, ALBERT	ATCS, GS-2152-11, ANC FSS	75-043B
HENKELMAN, JOEL	GFET, WG-4740-8, COLD BAY AFFO	75-160B
JOHNSON, HOWARD	GFET, WG-4740-10, NORTHWAY AFFO	75-069A
RICHEL, RAYMOND	ATCS, GS-2152-7, MRL TWR	75-060B
CRUMPACKER, DWIGHT	ATCS, GS-2152-7, ANC ARTCC	75-128B
CUTLER, ROBERT	ATCS, GS-2152-9, MRL TWR	75-060B
DRYER, WALTER	SUPV COMPUTER OPER, GS-332-9	75-086B
GARGANTA, JO	ENGR AID, GS-802-3, PLNG/EST BR	75-139A
<u>DEVELOPMENTALS</u>		
LANG, DUWAYNE	ATCS/S, GS-2152-9, JNU FSS	
MICHAELSON, PAMELA	ATCS/C, GS-2152-9, ANC ARTCC	
SHACKELFORD, WALTER	ATCS/S, GS-2152-9, FAI FSS	
THOMPSON, JACK	ATCS/S, GS-2152-9, BETTLES FSS	
MARSHALL, SUZANNE	ET, GS-856-4, HOMER AFFO	
BROCKMAN, DELORA	CLK STENO, GS-312-4, ANC ARTCC	
COX, RUSSELL	ATCS, GS-2152-9, JNU FSS	
CUTLER, ROBERT	ATCS, GS-2152-9, JNU FSS	
RICKERT, PAUL	ATCS, GS-2152-9, SITKA FSS	
ERICSON, RICHARD	ATCS, GS-2152-9, MC GRATH FSS	
SIEGRIST, TERRENCE	ATCS, GS-2152-11, ANC LK HD	
LEHMAN, RICHARD	ATCS, GS-2152-9, AKN FSS	
BURBANK, DANIEL	ATCS, GS-2152-9, DILLINGHAM FSS	
REEVES, RAYMOND	ATCS, GS-2152-9, DILLINGHAM FSS	
LUEDTKE, DAVID	ATCS, GS-2152-9, KETCHIKAN FSS	
BUCHANAN, HENRY	ATCS, GS-2152-9, KETCHIKAN FSS	
ARCHIBALD, JOHN	ATCS, GS-2152-9, BETHEL FSS	
NAYLOR, JERALD	ATCS/S, GS-2152-9, NOME FSS	
ANDERSON, HAROLD	ET, GS-856-9, BETTLES AFFO	
OSCAR, ALEXANDER	ET, GS-856-9, GALENA AFFO	





## PEOPLE

A--BELIEVE IT OR NOT!...If Galena is slow in answering the phone, it's because SET Walt Daigle has the only phone in Galena which is on top of the hill. B--NEW CHIEF...Martin Pederson is the new Facility Chief at Northway, replacing Harold "Po Po" Richardson who transferred to Cordova. C--KING SALMON FISHERMEN GO TO CLASS ...Ed Jones, second from left, conducted an engine controls panels and wastewater treatment course for (from left) Dennis Brown, Jones, Bruce Kihle, Dorman "Red" Riddle, David Unruh and Chester Wilson.



### BUILD STORAGE BUILDING

The high school students at Talkeetna constructed a storage building as a school project. The FAA furnished the material and an overseer, Sector Carpenter Bill Dotson.



# More Promotions

## DEVELOPMENTALS (CONT'D)

BAUERS, JOHN  
SCHOMMER, JOHN  
JACK, FRED  
SAUNDERS, CHARLES  
JAMES, ALFRED

ATCS, GS-2152-9, NOME FSS  
ATCS, GS-2152-11, LK HD TWR  
ET, GS-856-9, ANIAK AFFO  
ATCS, GS-2152-10, KODIAK TWR  
GAMI, GS-1825-12, GADO

## REASSIGNMENTS

MORRIS, BEVERLY  
ERICKSON, EARL  
STANTON, JAMES  
DRAKE, WILLIAM  
DUNN, GERALD  
PFEIFER, JOHN  
KUBITZ, DANIEL  
VON BARGEN, ERIC  
COATES, WILLIAM  
JOHNSON, JERREL  
MULLER, HARVEY  
CLYBURN, BARBARA  
SMITH, MICHAEL  
VON BARGEN, JANNE  
RAPSON, GEORGE  
MURPHY, MICHAEL  
BAIN, JAMES  
QUEEN, WILLIAM

GAMI, GS-1825-12, GADO  
ATCS, GS-2152-7, NORTHWAY FSS  
ATCS, GS-2152-7, FAI FSS  
ATCS, GS-2152-11, MRL TWR  
ATCS, GS-2152-07, BETHEL FSS  
ATCS, GS-2152-9, MC GRATH FSS  
ATCS, GS-2152-10, KENAI TWR  
ATCS, GS-2152-7, CORDOVA FSS  
SATCS, GS-2152-12, ANC FSS  
AUTO EQMT MGMT SPEC, LOG DIV  
SET, GS-856-12, BETHEL AFFO  
AVIA CLK TYPIST, GS-301-5, FLT STDS DIV  
ATCS, GS-2152-7, KING SALMON FSS  
ATCS, GS-2152-7, CORDOVA FSS  
ATCS, GS-2152-7, ANC ARTCC  
ATCS, GS-2152-7, ANC ARTCC  
ATCS, GS-2152-11, MRL TWR  
AIRSPACE SYS INSPECTION PILOT, GS-2181-12, FIDO

## NONCOMPETITIVE PROMOTIONS

WANKER, ROBERT  
HOLLENBEAK, LESTER  
MOW, JOHNNIE

ATCS, GS-2152-10, JNU FSS  
ATCS, GS-2152-10, JNU FSS  
ATCS, GS-2152-10, JNU FSS

## FIRE AT AIRPORT

The control tower at Greater Cincinnati Airport maintained normal service during the disastrous fire that struck a terminal building June 15, even though the blaze damaged telephone lines to other FAA facilities and forced aircraft to double up at airline gates. By the next afternoon, communications were back to normal and a few days later airliners returned to their usual gates. Tower chief George W. Hessler said the tower is providing office space and a radar scope for an airport weather observer from the National Weather Service, which suffered complete loss of its facilities at the airport. Fortunately, the tower is about a mile from the building that burned. Because telephone repair crews were working in two feet of water near electrical switching equipment, controllers made certain the crews were out of the area before turning on the runway lights Sunday night. A building serving four airlines that opened in February after a \$4 million renovation suffered \$2 million in damage.

