

HARRISBURG, Pa, (UPI)

Health officials say the results of hundreds of tests still have not provided a solid clue to the nature of the mystery illness which killed 27 persons who attended an American Legion convention in Philadelphia last month

Scientists working in laboratories to crack "the Pennsylvania incident" are as baffled as ever

They know that all the dead, and 127 others who became ill,

attended the Legion convention in Philadelphia July 21-24. Based on surveys of cases, they are sure Friday, July 23, was a key day.

From the results of laboratory tests at the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta and state labs in Philadelphia they know they are not dealing with "swine flu" or any other common form of virus

Ten days have passed since government scientists first learned of the ailment. In most other cases, the cause would have been located by now and the matter would be relegated to medical textbooks

"Usually by now we would have some type of answer," said Dr. Doms Lucey, Pennsylvania health commissioner.