

Dallas Is Pat On Layout of New Airport

Won't Agree That Administration Office Shall Go Anywhere But on North Side

Dallas will fight any effort to locate the administration building for the proposed midway airport on any site except one facing State Highway 183, the north boundary of the field, and representatives will appear before the Civil Aeronautics Administration board in Washington if necessary, Mayor Woodall Rodgers said Friday.

Even if an ironclad agreement were reached to have a good road from State Highway 183 to the proposed building site on the west side of the field facing Fort Worth, Mayor Rodgers said he still would not favor erecting the building anywhere except on the north boundary of the airport.

"It is not a question of distance but of principle," Mayor Rodgers said Friday. "It would be a monumental insult to Dallas to locate the building facing Fort Worth instead of on the north line where State Highway 183 would lead directly to the two cities."

Mayor Rodgers will go to Washington on another mission Sunday but Saturday he hopes to confer with Mayor I. N. McCrary of Fort Worth and L. C. Elliott, CAA district manager. If an agreement cannot be made, Mayor Rodgers said the next move probably will be before the CAA in Washington.

"Amon Carter of Fort Worth is trying to dictate the location of this administration building, but we have just begun to fight for the rights of Dallas," Mayor Rodgers said. "If Fort Worth thinks the building should be on the side of the airport then, by all justice, it should go on the east side toward Dallas, which furnishes 85 per cent of the air-line business in this section."

"We do not ask that, however," he added. "We think the original basis of negotiations was fair. That was to locate the building on the north line, and we could get together on this quickly if Carter would let the Fort Worth City Council and other officials handle this matter."

"I wonder what kind of people Carter thinks we are?" Mayor Rodgers said. "If CAA does follow Carter's dictation, however, I think a statue should be erected to him atop the building and the airport should be named Carter Field to complete the insult to Dallas."