

"FAIR DEAL" ON AIRPORT TO BE SOUGHT

DALLAS WILL NOT USE MID- WAY AIRPORT UNLESS PLAN CHANGED

Dallas was preparing Saturday to demand that the commercial airlines either give the city a "fair deal" on the location of the terminal building at Midway Airport or "keep 'em flying" from Love Field.

Its citizens' committee, headed by Nathan Adams, and Mayor Woodall Rodgers will leave for Washington next Friday to present demands that the site for the building be moved from the west side of the airport—near Fort Worth—to the north side, where it will serve both cities fairly. These demands will be submitted to the Civil Aeronautics Board and the civil aeronautics administrator next Monday, and to Texas' Jesse Jones, secretary of commerce, on Tuesday.

Secretary Jones telegraphed Mayor Rodgers that he would be "glad to see the citizens' committee and Dallas officials at 4:30 p. m. Tuesday (March 23)."

"However," the telegram added, "I don't know what can be done about the matter."

County Judge Al Templeton and Acting City Manager V. R. Smitham were added to the committee during the day by Chairman Adams.

Mayor Rodgers declared that the Dallas delegation would insist that the location of the terminal building be moved to the "north side, where it was originally established by CAA engineers." He suggested that Braniff Airways hangars and shops be placed on the east side of the field, near Dallas; and that American Airlines hangars and shops be located on the west side, near Fort Worth.

"We ask only for a neutral port which will serve both cities equally," Mayor Rodgers declared. "We want only a fair deal."

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"But if we don't get it, we will be prepared to fight to keep 'em flying from Love Field. We will demand that the CAA and commercial airlines either place the terminal building on the north side of the Midway Airport, where it will serve both cities fairly, or we will take steps to force the airlines to continue operating from Love Field."

Many civic leaders, it was learned, were ready to demand a congressional investigation of the action that resulted in the decision of the airlines to place the terminal building on the west side—near Fort Worth.

Others contended that Love Field would be an airport more convenient for Dallas airline passengers, and suggested that the city take steps to enlarge this airport to accommodate the big airliners of the future.

Final plans for the junket to Washington will be made Wednesday at a joint meeting of the citizens' committee and the city council.

The group which will go to Washington will include Mr. Adams, chairman of the committee; R. L. Thornton, F. F. Florence, Ted Dealey, Ernest Tennant, John W. Carpenter, Tom C. Gooch, Mayor Rodgers, B. F. McLain, Dr. E. H. Cary, City Attorney H. P. Kucera, J. B. Adoue, Jr., and Karl Hobilitzelle.