

3-Man Board Will Operate Midway Port

Mayor McCrary and Chamber of Commerce officials expressed entire satisfaction Wednesday in the proposal of the Midway Airport Association board of directors to name a representative each for Dallas, Fort Worth and Arlington on the field's managing board.

William Holden, chamber executive vice president, concurred in the mayor's view that the Midway association's operating contract provided for such representation.

In Dallas, Mayor Woodall Rodgers was quoted as saying that the management board plan was "all new to us" and that he hoped it was not an effort to by-pass the City of Dallas on representation by the municipal government.

Mayor McCrary Approves.

Mayor McCrary, on the contrary, said he had never understood from the contract with the Midway Airport Association that the representative of each city had to be a member of the municipal government, and he felt certain Fort Worth could pick a representative at a harmonious conference of city and Chamber of Commerce officials.

T. E. Braniff of Dallas, president of Braniff Airways, Inc., who was chosen as president of the Midway association at its stockholders' first meeting Monday night, told The Star-Telegram by telephone Wednesday that the directors of the group were merely seeking to carry out terms of the operating contract in seeking appointment of the operating board.

Plan in Making.

Holden said the letter from Braniff outlining the plan would be submitted to Chamber of Commerce directors and to Fort Worth City officials within a few days.

Because the Fort Worth municipal airport is now undergoing repairs, Braniff added, the temporary use of Midway Airport to accommodate commercial as well as military and private planes has become imperative. He said no permanent buildings for use of the public are contemplated at the present time, because of wartime building material scarcity.

American Airlines has signified its desire to use the field on a temporary basis, Delta Airlines also has made inquiries, and Braniff said his own line likewise might find it necessary to use Midway from time to time.

He emphasized that the corporation assured non-discriminatory treatment of the communities to be served.