

Construction Man



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H. F. Miter, vice president of the Austin Co., Cleveland, Ohio, architectural, engineering and construction contractors on the \$10,000,000 bomber assembly plant to be built at Lake Worth.

Plane Plant Will Use Fort Worth Materials, Labor

Cleveland Contractors Plan 'Immediate Action.'

The Austin Co. of Cleveland, architectural, engineering and construction contractors on the \$10,000,000 bomber assembly plant to be built at Lake Worth, will purchase all materials and supplies it can in Fort Worth, H. F. Miter, vice president of the company, said here Monday night.

The company also will give preference in jobs to Fort Worth labor, Miter said.

A staff of possibly 50 executives, foremen, superintendents and managers will be brought in from Cleveland headquarters as soon as the construction offices are opened on the plant site.

Albert Low, chief engineer for Austin, and possibly two or three other executives, are expected in Fort Worth Tuesday or Wednesday, Miter said.

Maj. Gordon E. Textor, supervisor of the plant construction for the War Department, during a brief conference with City Manager Bothwell Monday, said he would notify the city Tuesday on which tract of land the field office building is to be erected.

The city will make an effort to acquire title to that particular tract immediately, so that construction of the field office can be started without delay.

H. H. Morse, head of the land acquisition committee, advised Bothwell that a report on negotiations with the various property owners on the 1,450-acre site will be given him Tuesday.

City Council action on the land purchases is expected at the Wednesday meeting, Bothwell said.

Council also is expected to act on recommendations to be submitted by Bothwell on the sale of the first block of the \$3,000,000 in bonds authorized at the polls last Tuesday.

Bothwell still was undecided Monday on the exact amount of the five separate bond issues he will recommend for issuance at this time.

Miter conferred Monday with Bothwell and William Holden, executive vice president of the Chamber

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of Commerce. He also talked with Major Textor before the latter returned to his office in Denison.

Miter is so stranger in Fort Worth, having been here several times some years ago while his company was constructing the Texas and Pacific terminal warehouse. He has been associated with the Austin Co. for over 20 years.

Pushing the construction of access roads with all possible speed, four county officials went to Austin Monday to seek approval of the Attorney General on the \$1,250,000 bond issue voted last week.

County Judge Miller, Commissioner Thannisch, Engineer Cook and Deputy Auditor Hulseby took the bond transcript to the Capitol, and also made plans for seeking assumption by the State of \$90,000 in un-issued bonds which were authorized in 1928.

The \$90,000 in un-issued bonds was discovered by Henry Keller, bond broker, while he was examining the county bond records. They were part of a \$4,920,000 issue for general road work, and were canceled by Commissioners Court, but not by vote of the public, as is necessary.

If the State will assume the service on the bonds, as it has on practically all of the rest of the issue, the \$90,000 will be used to pay for the county's part of Highway 15 construction. The State Highway Department is building most of the

LINK BETWEEN HIGHWAY 15 AND AVENUE Main Street, but the county must build a 3,000-foot stretch which will traverse White Settlement Road near the bomber plant. Any residue will be used on the Highway 15 project east of Fort Worth.