

# No Action Soon On Courthouse Annex

## Work on Building Hinges On Decision in Dam Reservation Action

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No action will be taken on the proposed addition to the county courthouse designed to provide adequate jail facilities, until a decision is had on the question of jurisdiction of Clark county over the Boulder dam reservation area, and the right of the assessor to collect taxes from the property therein, it was stated this morning by members of the board of county commissioners.

E. G. McGriff, chairman of the board, declared that a great number of protests had been received from large taxpayers against the expenditure of any considerable sum of money for an addition at this time, and stated that the board had decided not to take any action until they knew just where the money was coming from, and what size structure would be required.

With a view to discussing the matter more fully, the board has set next Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock for a hearing on the proposed construction, McGriff stating that the board had been advised a decision on the tax suit might be forthcoming by that time.

Commissioner Earl Davidson declared that the budget for the coming year presented a distinct problem and that while he favored the building of needed facilities, wanted to be sure where the money was coming from before making

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any decision.

"My idea is to find out just what is actually necessary and to go ahead with that construction and nothing more," he said. "It would be a fine thing to go ahead with the project as originally outlined, but with the present economic condition prevailing, I am inclined to doubt the wisdom of such a step at this time. If we are able to substantially increase our valuation thru addition of the reservation area to our tax rolls, I'd be in favor of going ahead."

Commissioner Albert Jones expressed opposition to any move which might raise taxes, or prevent a reduction if any could be had, but expressed the belief that this objection might be obviated thru the retirement of bond issues which will run out within the next few months.