

Rumor of Shift In Ely's Office Denied

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Rumors of an impending change in the office of city manager in Boulder City, current for the past several weeks, were stamped as untrue by Dr. Elwood Mead, commissioner of reclamation, who is in full charge of affairs in the dam site city.

In a statement to the United Press in Washington this morning, Dr. Mead said: "So far as I know, Sims Ely will continue as Boulder City manager indefinitely. I have no word of his resignation or replacement."

Ely refused to discuss the report yesterday, referring newsmen to Walker R. Young, construction engineer. Young said he had heard nothing of the reported change except the rumors in Boulder City, and advised contacting Dr. Mead.

Several leading citizens of Boulder City have been conducting a quiet campaign in their own behalf of late on the theory that Ely was slated to go after the first of the year as a result of the battle over patronage. Harry Gravelle holds the endorsement of the democratic