

GOVERNMENT WILL CONDEMN A SITE

Action Started to Get Possession of Land for New Federal Building.

United States District Attorney C. C. Houpt has filed a petition with the clerk of the United States district court asking for the appointment of a commission to appraise the value of property along Sixth avenue west between First and Second streets, which is desired by the government for the site for its proposed new federal building.

The commission of appraisement has been made necessary owing to the fact that the property owners have not been able to agree with the government's representative over the price that shall be paid by Uncle Sam for the desired property.

Lots, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95 and 96 in block 20, DuSuth proper, are in question. The property owners cited to take notice of the petition for the appointment of a commission are: Daisy I. Wahl, A. E. McCordie, Manchester Savings bank, Helen Thomas, James Cash, J. C. Howard, H. S. Davis, A. P. Lovejoy, J. E. Carlson, Emeline Bray, Midland Co., First National bank, Fannie Mondschine, Rose Haben, Christie McAlpine, J. E. Palmer, R. R. Wells, Anna Larson, Murdock McDonald, Emil, Oscar and Edward Mork, Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance company, Mrs. E. G. Ward, William Mitchell, S. Scharabom, Joseph Risatti, George Olson, F. A. Merritt, F. Carrier, Mrs. B. Adams, J. N. Haben, Homer Waterhouse, Henry Schmittlél, Syrus Palmer, John Carlson, J. T. Noll and W. Sankup.

A hearing on the petition will be granted by Judge Page Morris in the United States court Jan. 19.

The government has appropriated funds for the purchase of the land necessary for the post office site, which has been chosen in accordance with the grouping plan for public buildings begun by the St. Louis county court house. The postoffice building will form the right wing of the group, facing a broad plaza in front of the court house. Part of the land necessary for the postoffice site has already been purchased by the government, under a plan formulated some time ago, when it was designed to erect the building on Fifth avenue west just across from the present postoffice building.