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County Signs Courthouse Contract



Contract documents for the county's new courthouse complex were signed in formal ceremonies this morning. Jasper Construction company was low bidder at \$6.1 million for the building. Werner Jasper says construction will begin immediately after groundbreaking ceremonies Tuesday at 2 p.m. Sitting, from left,

are County Clerk Tom Kelley, Supervisors' Chairman Russ McCallie, Jasper and architect Burton Rockwell. Standing are Walter J. Dutro, vice president and manager of Wells Fargo bank which purchased courthouse bonds, County Auditor George Kriz, County Counsel William Card,



County Administrative Officer Carl Millar and Soquel Supervisor Tom Black. Total cost of the complex, which includes a five-story office building and single-story courthouse, will be \$6.3 million, including architect's and inspectors' fees. Cost may hit \$6.6 million with all construction alternates.

Bad Battery Gemini

Cape Kennedy, Fla. (AP). —A bad battery cell today forced postponement of a practice flight for next week's orbital mission by astronauts James McDivitt and Edward White. Officials said there was a possibility the trouble could delay the Gemini 4 launching.

Mission director Christopher C. Kraft Jr., said a decision whether to postpone the astronauts' trip would be made Saturday or Sunday after the battery had been changed and several evaluation tests had been made.

At Space Agency headquarters in Washington, however, it was indicated that there would be a postponement.

The agency announced a news conference would be held at Cape Kennedy at 4 p.m. on "flight plan changes."

Information officers were asked to explain the significance of this wording but could not indicate that changes in the Gemini 4 flight plan had been outlined.

The battery problem was reported today shortly after