

## Board Okays Preliminary New Courthouse Drawings

Preliminary plans for a modern one-story courthouse with its back to the San Lorenzo river at the site of the old Garibaldi hotel are expected to be completed in November by the San Francisco architectural firm of John Lyon Reid and partners.

Clearance for starting the preliminary drawings was given by the board of supervisors this week after viewing a bird's eye view of the redesigned courthouse, which formerly had the law courts separated from the main building.

A \$32,000 federal loan to work up the preliminary plans has been granted the county.

The pre-stressed concrete

building will comprise approximately 80,000 square feet, while the former building and law courts totaled 73,000 square feet, according to Supervisor Lewis Nelson. Law courts and the board of supervisors room will be housed in the elevated center part of the building.

Tentative plans call for practically all the county government offices to move into the new courthouse. The veterans service officer will remain in the Veterans Memorial building and the sheriff's department and probation department in the courthouse annex.

Nelson indicated the agricultural commissioner's office and the farm advisor's office will probably be housed near the Soquel area.

Cost of the new courthouse on a seven acre triangular shaped site in the San Lorenzo Park project has not been determined yet, according to the Soquel district supervisor.

### Vicar Declines To Help Choose Beauty Queen

London (P). — A vicar has turned down an invitation to pick a beauty queen, saying it's all wrong to judge a girl by her vital statistics.

"I feel a man cannot really assess the beauty of a girl by just looking at her," said Rev. William Reese, rector of Blandworth, near Portsmouth.

"Before I could judge a girl's real beauty, I would want to meet her—and get to know her personally."

### Peiping Radio Hits New US 'Military Threat'

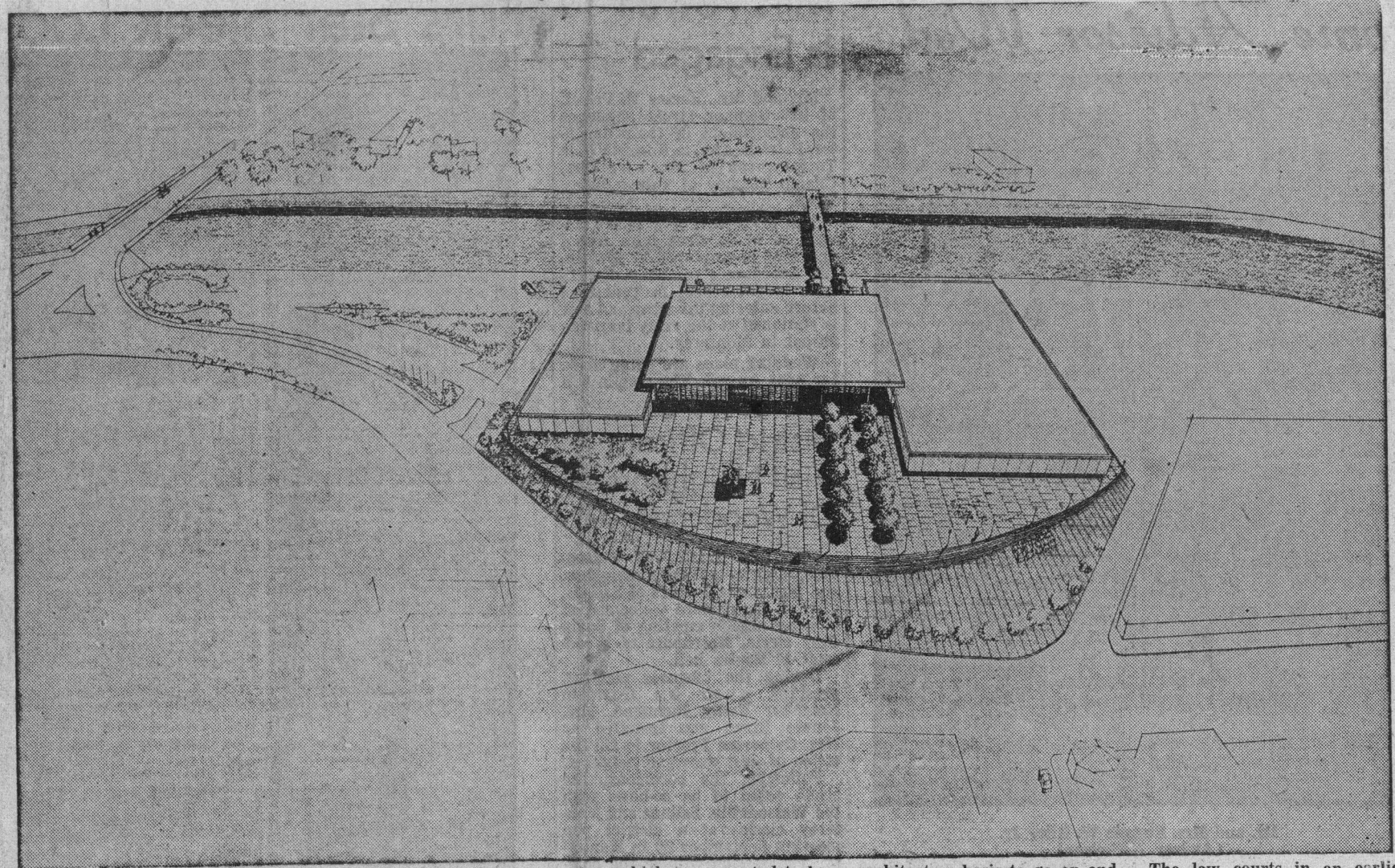
Hong Kong (P).—Peiping radio alleged Tuesday that "American imperialists have posed a new military threat against Asian nations" by sending 2000 marines to Singapore.

"This new military movement clearly shows the United States does not intend to ease international tension, but wants to keep it up," the Red Chinese radio said.

The navy in Washington announced the arrival of marines and ships in Singapore Sunday as preparation for helping any nation in the Indian ocean area that might be affected by the Mideast crisis.

### Suicide Faking

## Preliminary Sketch Of New Courthouse



This bird's eye view of the modern-designed courthouse planned for seven acres at the site of the old Garibaldi hotel on Front street in the San Lorenzo Park project was ap-

proved by the board of supervisors this week. John Lyon Reid and partners, San Francisco architectural firm, now have the green light to proceed with formulation of preliminary

plans which are expected to be completed by November. Supervisor Lewis Nelson of the board's building committee indicated the isometric drawing is only something to give the

architects a basis to go on and the courthouse may possibly undergo further changes. Law courts and the board of supervisors chambers will be housed in the elevated center structure with other offices in the wings.

The law courts in an earlier plan were ticketed as a separate structure but have been moved into the one-floor main building to allow for more flexibility and additional parking.