



Open ductwork in the ceiling of the county's \$6.7-million governmental center might well cost more to clean than the savings of not installing a covering ceiling, a janitorial consulting firm head said yesterday. The consultant indicated the new center will require a small army of janitors to keep its vast spaces clean.

what happened. Communist guns remained in the hands of the four-day period.

The Viet Cong and North Vietnamese have called for a seven-day truce. The United States and South Vietnam have agreed so far only on the shorter period.

Meanwhile, U.S. officials—responding to a story written for The Associated Press by Australian Communist Wilfred Burchett—said they want reciprocal action from North Vietnam in exchange for a stop to the bombing of the north.

Struck By Stone

New Delhi, India (AP)—Prime Minister Indira Gandhi was hit in the mouth by a stone thrown at her today as she was addressing an election rally in Bhubaneswar, 220 miles southwest of Calcutta.

Press reports from the city said Mrs. Gandhi received a slight injury to her upper lip and nose.

ing it from the Twin Lake harbor area plan.

Tomorrow night many of the same persons may attend a meeting of the county parks and recreation commission to voice their objections to an upper-lake parking lot as well.

John Cruze of Live Oak is expected to address the commission when it meets in the board of supervisors room at 7:30 p.m.

house One of the White of Dothan, Ala., a truck line president who was with Mr. and Mrs. Pepper.

White, his hand bleeding after he had smashed a window and led others to safety, said he saw no trace of the former state official or his wife after the fire erupted with a "whoosh" into a raging inferno.

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The High Cost Of Courthouse Cleaning ²⁻⁸⁻⁶⁷

So vast is the county's nearly-finished \$6.7-million governmental center that they don't know how to clean it.

However it's done, it's going to be expensive. About \$200,000 a year, more or less.

Yesterday the county board of supervisors voted to pay Kee Systems Incorporated \$17,000 to see how the place can be cleaned and then to oversee the janitorial service for a year.

In an interview later, firm president Irwin B. Kee said it probably will take a small army of janitors, 20 to 25 employees, to do the job.

"Of course, I haven't made any thorough study yet, but

I would say this is a reasonable number of men for a building of this size," Kee explained.

The county now employs 10 janitors for its scattered offices throughout the city.

Cost of the janitors will be about \$125,000 a year in salaries, plus the expense of supplies and cleaning equipment, Kee estimated. The total yearly expense could top \$200,000.

The Kee firm was selected because of its reputation of saving money on janitorial services, County Administrative Officer Carl Millar indicated to supervisors. He said the savings alone should pay the most of the con-

sultant's cleanup study "in a year or two."

Will the unusual "open ceiling" design and plain concrete finish make cleaning the five-story office building and single-story courthouse more expensive than other buildings the same size?

It well might be more expensive, Kee said.

"It's hard to say just yet how much more trouble it will be to keep the exposed pipes and air conditioning ducts clean. Whether the pipes will generate static electricity and attract dust is something we will have to wait and see," he went on.

If the ductwork has to be

cleaned often, the architect's cost saving on not installing a regular ceiling might be gobbled up in cleaning costs over the years, according to Kee.

Kee was asked if his early estimates included the cost of cleaning the hundreds of windows. He replied "It might. I don't know yet."

One of the major arguments proposed by a county Grand Jury and other officials for a new governmental center was that it would save money by bringing county departments together and increasing efficiency.

Any cost saving will have to come from some other area than janitorial services, it appears.