

Negotiated Sale of School On World Fair Site Probable

The School Board probably will consider negotiating a sale of the **Warren Avenue School** to the state, Frank Brock, board secretary, said today.

The school property is in the center of the site proposed for the 1961 World Fair.

Superior Court Judge Malcolm Douglas yesterday ruled that the state cannot condemn school property for the fair site. He declined to issue a certificate of "public use and necessity" against the Warren Avenue School.

The main building of the fair is planned on the school site, said Ewen C. Dingwall, project director for the Civic Center-World Fair.

Brock said the judge's ruling "certainly doesn't bar the way for negotiations."

Charles R. Lonergan, deputy to Prosecutor Charles O. Carroll, had told the court there is no authority for con-

demning school property for fairground purposes.

Lonergan said afterward that, in his opinion, Judge Douglas' ruling also would apply to the High School Memorial Stadium, also under consideration for condemnation.

Fifteen teams of attorneys, representing property owners in the area, argued that there is no legal basis for the city and the state to grant each other joint use of properties at the site.

The city, which is establishing a Civic Center, plans to expand the center to include the World Fair area after the fair ends.