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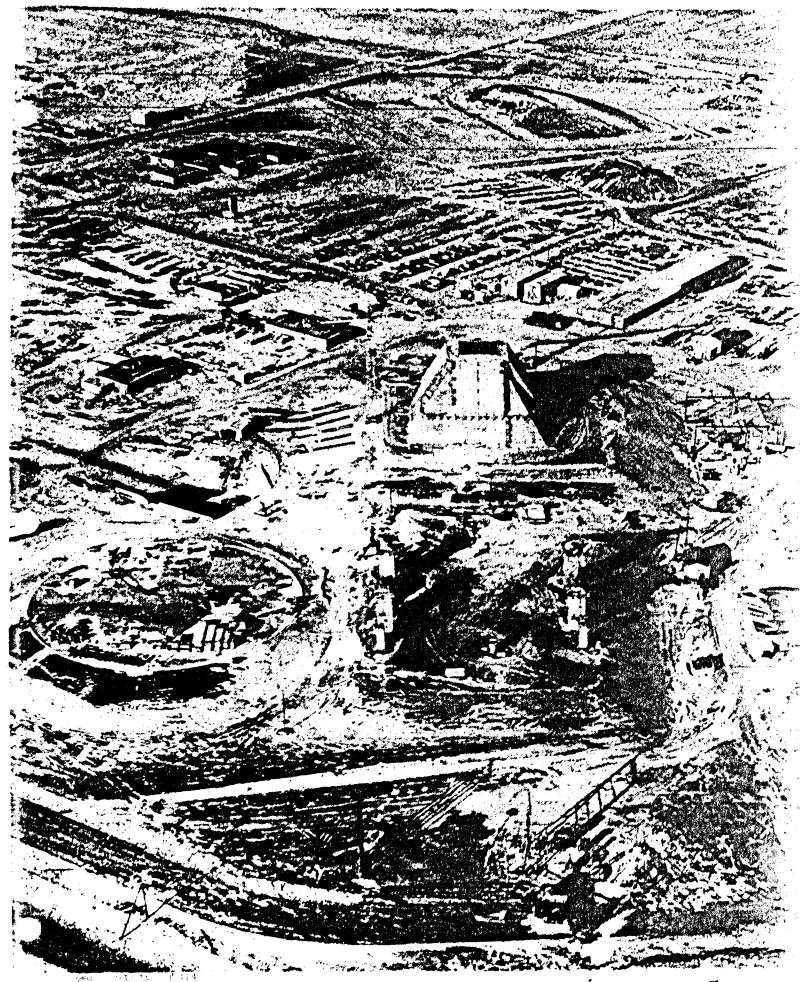
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THE PERIMETER ACQUISITION Radar facility at Concrete, N. D., appears a site of inactivity. That, however, is not the case. Inside the thick concrete walls, workmen are at their jobs both above and below ground level. There is a beehive of activity as the project nears the transition point that will find the Western Electric workmen taking over from Morri-

son-Knudsen employes as the protects move from physical to electrical construction stages. The PAR site is on some 20 acres and is the facility that will be the first to pick up on its radar screen any incoming missiles. The site, like the Missile Site Radar (MSR) at Nekoma, N. D. will be tactically self-sufficient (Herald photo by Ken Kleven)

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SOME 2,200 WORKERS are at work at the Missile Site Radar (MSR) site near Nekoma, N. D., (above) or the interest Acquisition Radar (PAR) site near Concrete, N. D., this winter behind thick concrete walls. Some 72,000 cubic yards of concrete was used at each of the two sites in foundations, walls and roofs of the buildings. The Nekoma facility was "topped out" with a cement pour Oct. 11

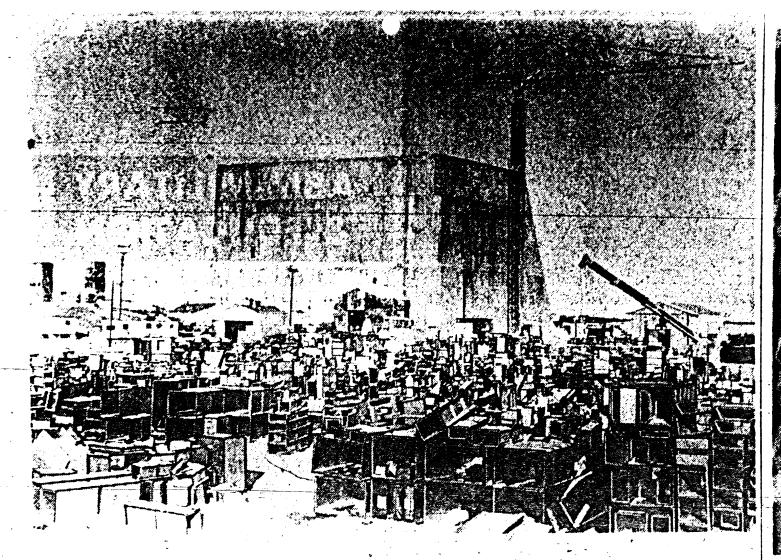
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left, Morrison-Knudsen & Associates have the general construction contract for the two sites; Western Electrion the technical hookup work; Chris Berg, loc. Seattle, Wash., the non-technical support facilities, the World Inc.-Towne Reales. Milwaukee, Wis., the remote missile sites.

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A PORTION OF heat and cooling duct work that will be installed in the Concrete, N. D., ABM site radar building is still stored outside the facility. It will be installed this winter.

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duct work that will be The radar buildings at the two sites, which will be self-M site radar building is sufficient, will not have a heating system. Heat for the buildings will instead be taken from the computers and electrical apparatus to be installed. (Herald photo) THE PERIMETER ACQUISITION Radar (PAR) building at Concrete, N. D., will, when completed, be able to detect targets at ranges over 1.000 miles through this single radar face. Its beams are steered electronically, not through the

use of heavy, moving antennas. Instead of a conventional dish-type antenna, the phased array radar has thousands of small antennas built into one large face. The building is about 130 feet high. (Herald photo)

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THE SUPPORT FACILITIES at the Nekoma and Concrete antiballistic missile sites have been largely overlooked in the ex itement of work on the actual radar buildings, but they are they much a part of work on the two sites. At extreme left is the Nekoma site chapel, behind it is the community center.

to its right the administration building, and to the right, the mechanical and warehouse buildings. Also to be constructed on each site are housing for the men who will live at the sites. The radar building, reaching over 100 feet-skyward is in the center background. (Herald photo)

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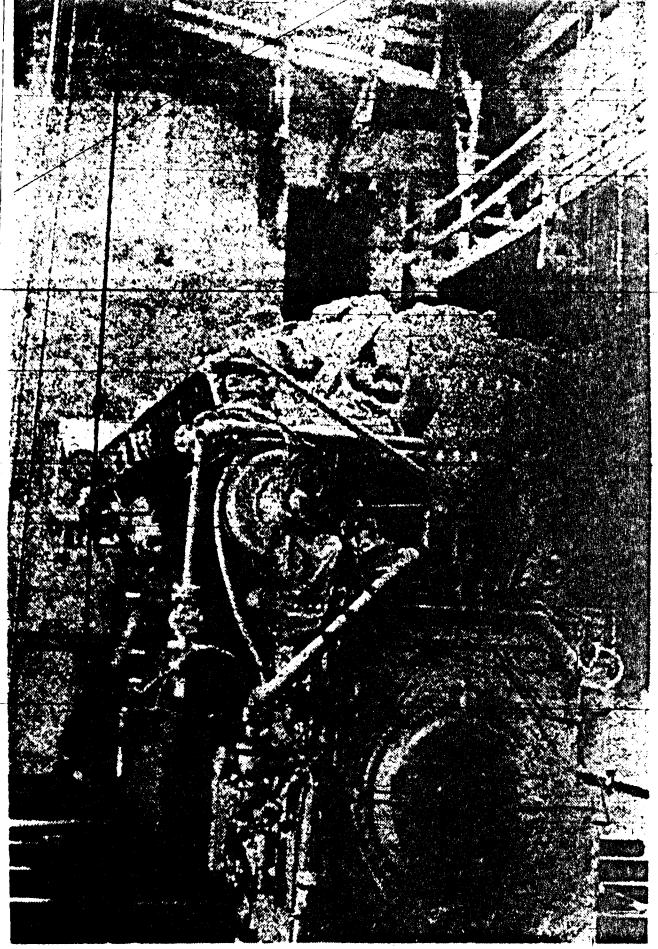
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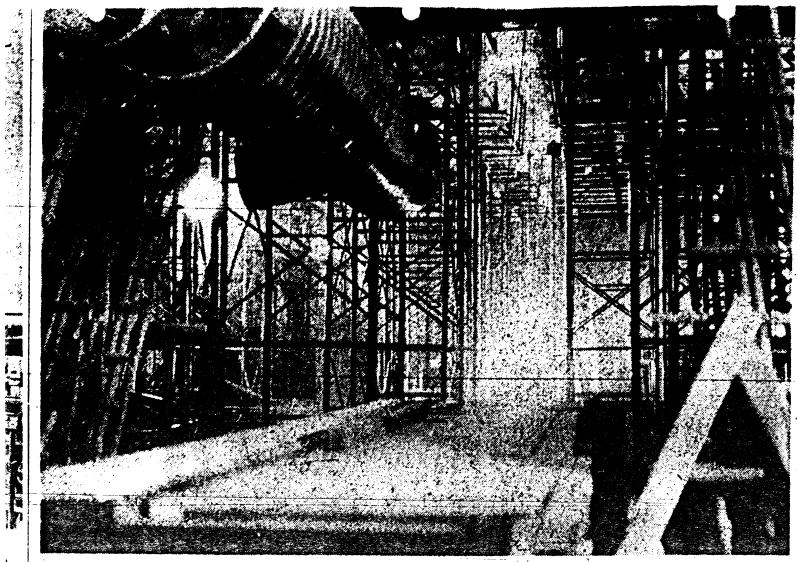
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THIS GENERATOR IS only an example of the large machinery that is going into the underground portion of the missile buildings

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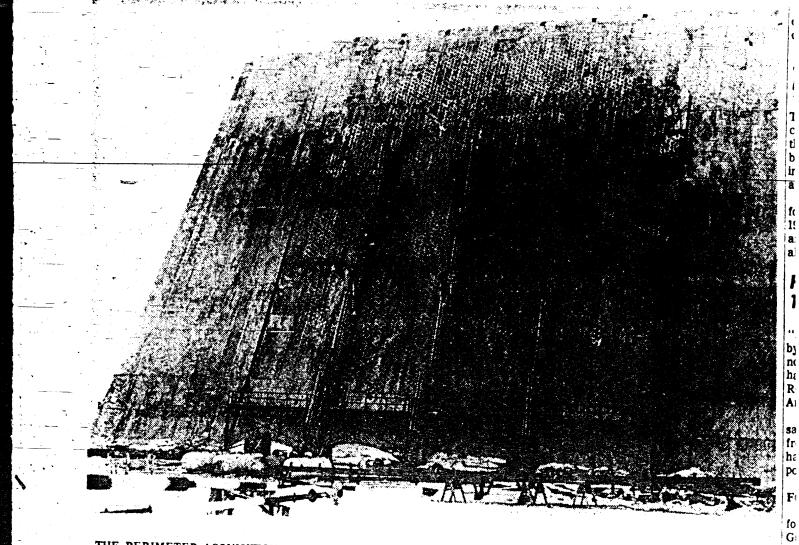
of on the sites at Concrete and Nekoma, N. D. he Workmen are continuing on their jobs gs through the winter on the inside of the facilities.



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A MAZE OF STEEL and scaffolding in the upper floor of the Concerns sits radar building form this scene. This is the area

in which the radar screens for the four faces of the Missile Site Radar building will be erected. (Herald photo)



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