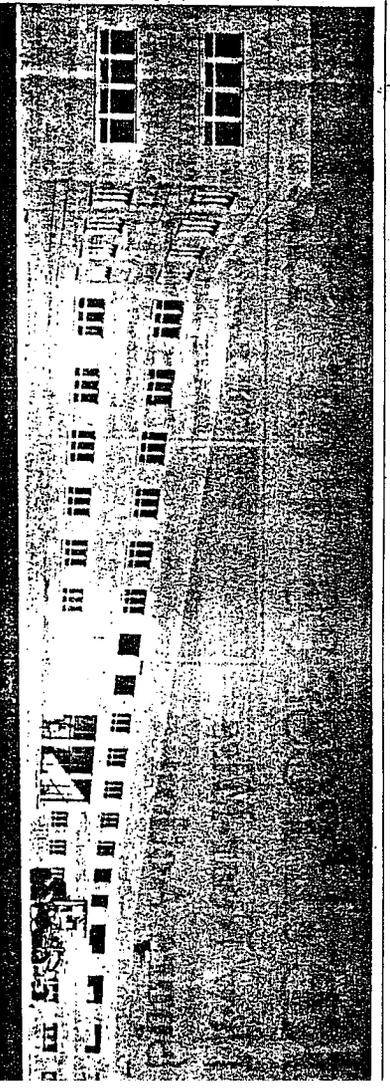
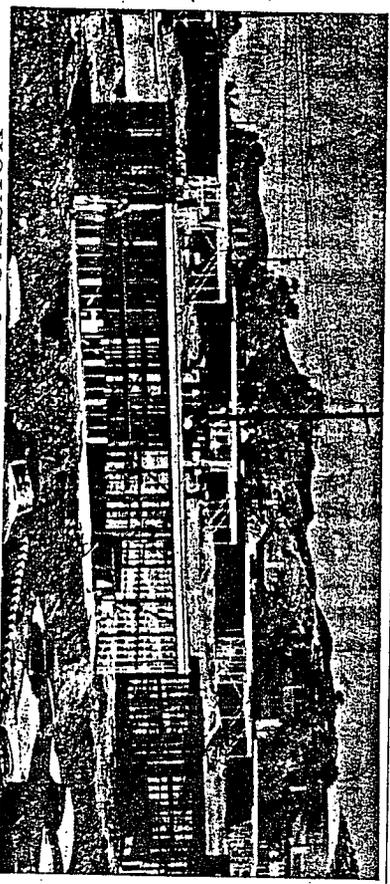


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# HOUSING GOING UP AT THE FORT Huachuca Building Boom Expected To Last For Years

FT. HUACHUCA.—The building boom continues at the U.S. Army proving ground here four years after the Electronic Proving Ground here. . . ago, the Army has been building to finish it.

Creating one of the busiest housing booms in the state, dozens of who will live and work in the barracks are going up along with shadow of the Huachuca mountains of dollars and a technical . . .

There is \$17 million worth of . . . of 515 Caphart houses—cost- . . . of this year. Previously, 240 houses . . .

Now, anyone who leaves the fort . . .

There is a \$12 million technical building . . .

Some Arizona can expect this . . .

Signal Corps will work. The first . . .

part of this unique structure, cost- . . .

up its common for years. . .

It will take a . . .

for us to build on . . .

the present speed," Sgt. Gen. K. . .

T. Nelson, commanding general of the . . .

way through our development pro- . . .

gram."

built down the hill and these will . . .

The entire project will cost \$25 . . .

million, said Herman Pezz, the . . .

planning engineer for the fort. . .

on down at Libby Field where the . . .

proving ground keeps 90 to 80 . . .

Army planes of all types constant- . . .

ly landing and taking off to test . . .

new electronic gadgets. This is . . .

one of the busiest airports in Ari- . . .

zona.

One new hangar, costing over . . .

half a million dollars has just . . .

been completed and another one . . .

like it is under way. Also now . . .

in use are a new operations build- . . .

ing and fire station along with . . .

other facilities costing hundreds . . .

of thousands of dollars.

Fort Huachuca has a master plan . . .

which calls for moving everything . . .

up to the old cavalry area near . . .

the mountain. During World War . . .

II, many wooden barracks were . . .

for the services of the large elec- . . .

tronic proving ground.

It takes \$40 million a year to run . . .

the proving ground, not including . . .

the payroll, Nelson said.

This includes \$24 million to pay . . .

for the technical program—which . . .

is the money for the whole thing. . .

The money is used to buy the . . .

hardware to be tested and to pay . . .

for the services of the large elec- . . .

tronic proving ground.

FRONT TO THE NEW TECHNICAL BUILDING

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front corners of America like the . . .

Radio Corporation of America, . . .

The technical funds grew by \$1 . . .

million this past year and are like- . . .

ly to remain at about \$24 million . . .

next year.

The military payroll at the fort . . .

is \$12 million, but another \$2 . . .

million goes to the contractors.

Murray estimates there are . . .

around 1,000 adults on the post . . .

and 1,000 children. He thinks the . . .

population outside the gates is . . .

about 5,000.

Plans for additional housing on . . .

the post itself are now being . . .

studied in Washington. But Nel- . . .

son has been encouraged recently . . .

by private investors . . .

who want to build a . . .

building . . .

houses in surrounding areas.

There are now 6,000 enlisted . . .

men at Ft. Huachuca and 800 of- . . .

ficers, Nelson said.

"We expect to remain stable . . .

except for a slight decrease in . . .

enlisted personnel," he added.

One of the major changes in . . .

the proving ground during the past . . .

year has been the great increase . . .

in the number of technical em- . . .

ployes (of concern which have . . .

contracts with the fort) who have . . .

been stationed here. Their num- . . .

ber have jumped from 200 a year . . .

ago to 1,000 today—and many . . .

more are expected.

"For the first time in many . . .

years, we have applicants for all . . .

of our jobs," Nelson reported.

"The general can't see much ef- . . .

fect of the age of spunkies and . . .

guided missiles on the Army's . . .

Electronic Proving Ground.

"We still have to depend on . . .

the individual soldier with a rifle . . .

and bayonet to win the war," Nel- . . .

son said.

And the Army is concerned to . . .

see that this soldier is equipped . . .

with the most advanced and pow- . . .

erful instruments that can be cov- . . .

ered by the military or industry . . .

to do that job, he added.

For its work, Ft. Huachuca has . . .

70,000 acres on the reservation . . .

and the National Forests of Ari- . . .

zona. It recently acquired the . . .

Dr. Lake at Wilcox.

Major Alice Saxe came for a . . .

high post in the Peninsula. He . . .

said, "I'm sorry to leave, but I . . .

hope to get back to Arizona as . . .

soon as I can."