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## NAVY SEABEES AID IN BUILDING MASSIVE VIETNAM COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

Navy Seabees of U. S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion EIGHT have recently completed construction of a relay station which will form one of 52 links in a massive communications system covering the Republic of Vietnam and neighboring Thailand.

Built at Chu Lai, South Vietnam, the newest complex consists of a generator building, ~~dish~~ antennas, an electronic equipment building, a warehouse and a well. It will ~~link~~ up with the DaNang relay station, 52 miles to the north.

The project was a joint effort by MCB-EIGHT and Page Electronics. The former handled the heavy construction while the latter performed the necessary electrical and mechanical work.

Briefly, the network utilizes a system of tropo scattered waves and microwave links on a line of sight basis enabling participants to communicate clearly and concisely over thousands of square miles. It is expected to vastly improve present communications, according to Sergeant Ron Nagi, USA, Quality Control Inspector for the facility.

Page Communications of Washington D. C., under the supervision of U. S. Army Strategic Communication Command of Southeast Asia, is the contractor for the entire project.

Known as the Integrated Wideband Communciation System (IWCS), the network is scheduled for completion within two years. It will provide an instant hook-up between commanders in the field and their superiors at key centers of military operations.

1967 marks the 25th anniversary of the U. S. Navy Seabees; the 100th of the Navy Civil Engineer Corps whose officers lead the Seabees in action; and the 125th of the Naval Facilities Engineering Command (formerly Bureau of Yards and Docks).

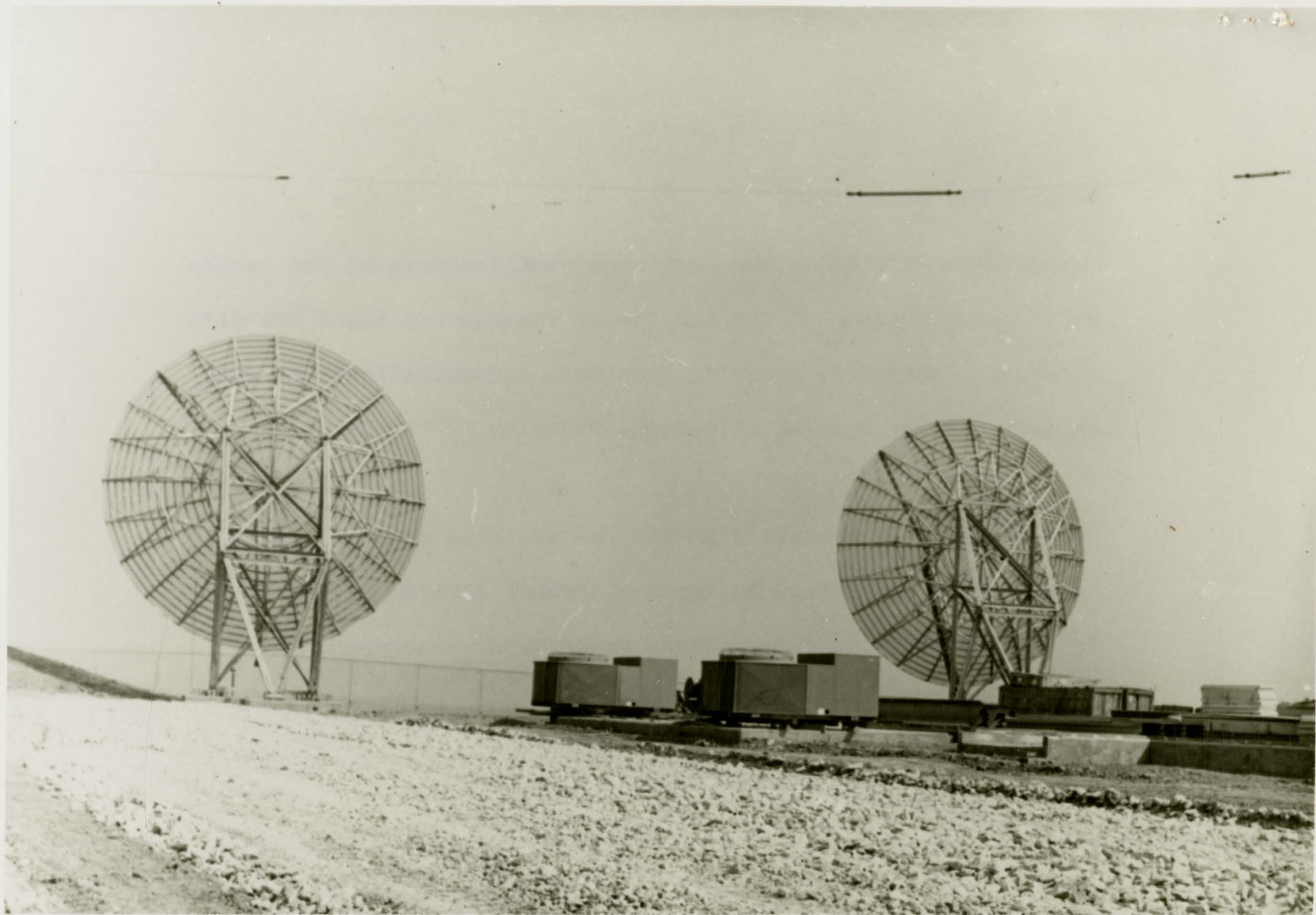
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COMMUNICATIONS LINK -- The most prominent features of the Seabee-built relay station at Chu Lai, South Vietnam are these two dish antennas. They will serve to provide a communications tie with another similar station at DaNang, 52 miles to the north.

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