

WHAT'S UP THERE?

The Annex is a two room, concrete block building with three-legged radar antenna tower and dome. The installation was designed to be controlled remotely and to run unattended. Before the fiberglass radome was added in 1963, the antenna could be seen rotating at a stately 5.33 revolutions per minute (RPM).

The building has two separate rooms with no communicating doorway.

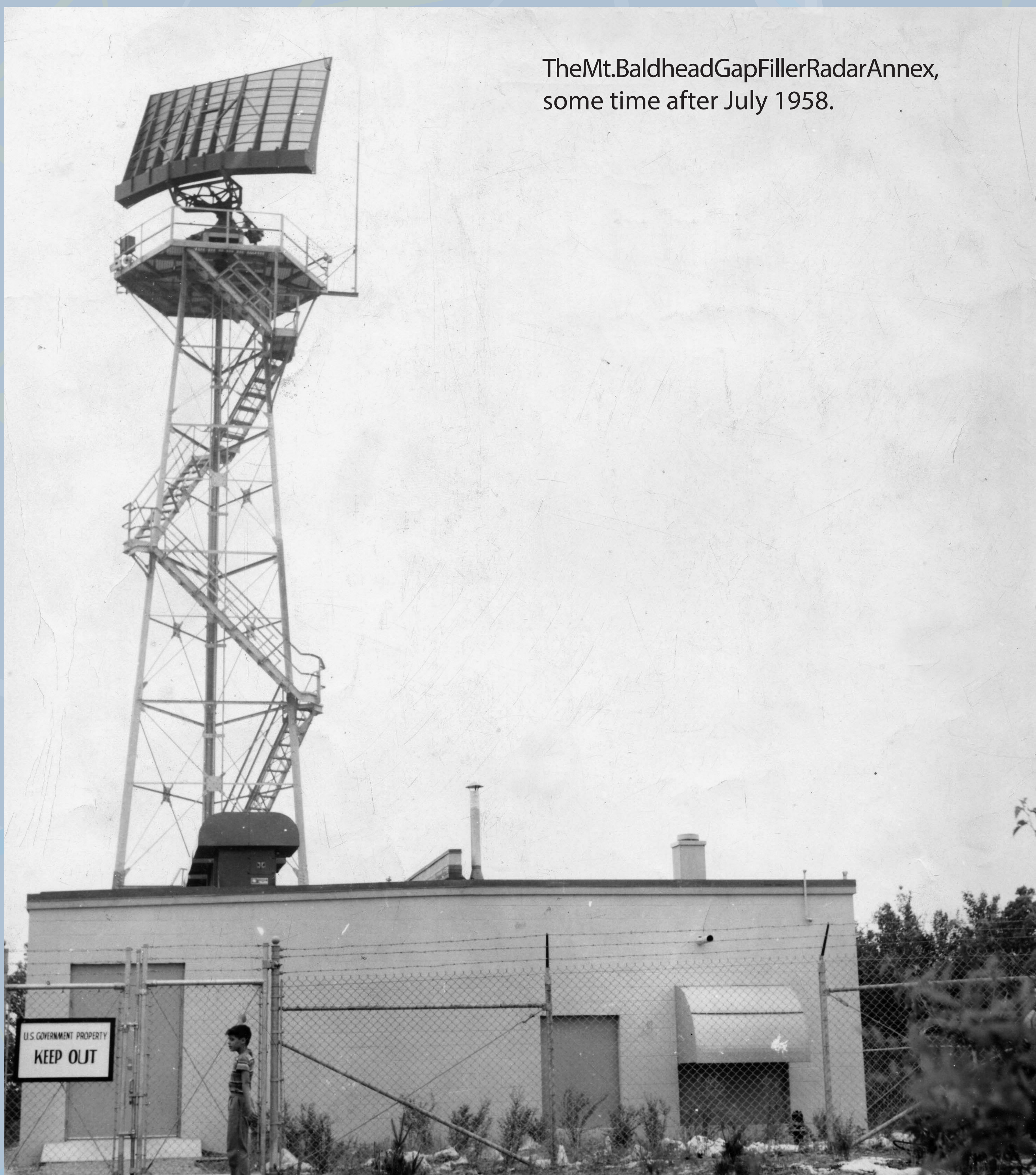
One room housed two diesel power generators that were removed in 1969. Still in place are two motor/generator type rotary regulators.

The larger room on the west side contains two AN/FPS-18 receiver/transmitter pairs, substantially intact but deteriorating by exposure to a leaking roof and vandalism. Also in this room are the FSW-1 Site Monitor and half of the FST-1 Coordinate Data Transmitter.

The white radar dome is an iconic landmark visible for miles in all directions and used as a navigational aid for mariners seeking Saugatuck or nearby ports.



AN/FPS-18 radar receiver.



The Mt. Baldhead Gap Filler Radar Annex, some time after July 1958.