Another Warplant

FORT WORTH.—Giant machines began biting into the earth at Lake Worth Monday to clear the site for Fort Worth's $10,000,000 bomber assembly plant.

The plant, which will be managed by the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation, was described at the formal ground-breaking ceremonies last Friday by Albert S. Low of Cleveland, vice president of the Austin Company, architectural, engineering, and construction contractors on the project, as being one whose main assembly building will be three-quarters of a mile long and the equivalent of five stories in height. It will be the largest windowless plant in the nation, and will be served by high intensity lighting and with control of atmospheric and temperature conditions for most efficient operation.

Among the Army, Navy, and civilian notables present at the dedication ceremonies Friday were Brig. Gen. G. C. Brant, commander of the Gulf Coast Air Corps Training Center at Randolph Field; Maj. Gorden E. Textor of Denison, district Army engineer; Lawrence Westbrook of Washington, assistant to the administrator of the Federal Works Agency; Amon Carter, famous Fort Worth citizen who acted as master of ceremonies; Capt. Alva E. Bernhard, commander of the new Naval Air Station at Corpus Christi and a representative of the Navy at the ceremonies; Col. Stanley O. Scott of Dallas, division Army engineer; Col. George E. Lovell of Fort Sam Houston, represented the Eighth Corps Area; T. E. Brannif of Oklahoma City, president of Braniff Airways, Inc.; Albert S. Low of Cleveland, Austin Company representative; William Holden, executive vice president of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce; Col. William B. Wright, commander of the Meridian, Mississippi, Air Training Base; A. M. Hall, who will manage the plant after its construction; C. A. King, president of the Tulsa, Oklahoma, Chamber of Commerce; and Federal Judge James C. Wilson.