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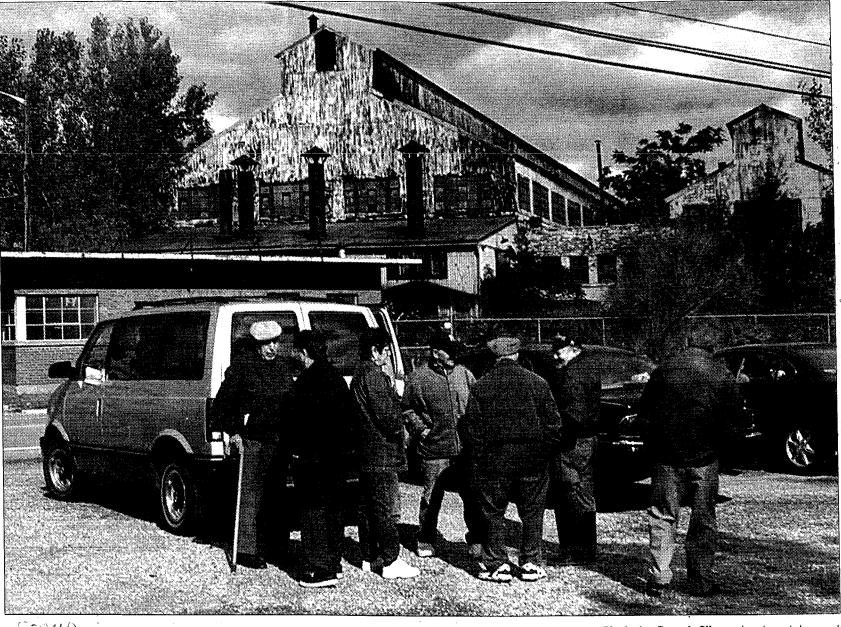
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Simonds protest

Former employees and their family members gather Thursday morning outside the old Simonds Saw and Steel plant on Ohio Street. The group was there to demand the cleanup of the site. The former steel mill was the subject of a recent USA Today series on private plants that handled radioactive materials during the early years of the nuclear weapons program. The plant was contracted to roll uranium and thorium during the late 1940s and early 1950s.