

NEWS



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Series of Visits planned for New Hose Factory

LORD CRAIGTON AND EDINBURGH'S LORD PROVOST TO PAY OFFICIAL VISIT ON TUESDAY, 15th DECEMBER

Now that our modernisation plan started three years ago is more or less complete, it is planned to have a series of visits within the next two months from representatives of the Scottish Office, local Members of Parliament, City officials, Scottish commerce.

Lord Craigton, the new Minister of State, Scottish Office, along with Lord Provost Sir Ian A. Johnson-Gilbert, Sir John Anderson (Secretary, Scottish Home Department), Sir Edward Appleton (Principal, Edinburgh University), Sir Thomas Williamson (Secretary, N.U.G.M.W.) and David Lowe (President, Edinburgh Chamber of Commerce), will lead the first group on the morning of Tuesday, 15th December. Other

officials of the Scottish Office will be present. The party will be welcomed by Foster M. Stewart, Managing Director, and other members of the Board of Directors.

During the same week there will be visits from personnel connected with the main contractors, architects, consulting engineers, surveyors and those most closely connected with the building project.

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Invitation to Hose Factory Personnel

On the afternoon of 15th December relatives of Hose Factory personnel are being invited to a short tour and will be entertained to buffet tea.

This striking aerial view of Castle Mills was taken only a few weeks ago and shows clearly the extent of our factory bordered on the south by the Union Canal and occupying some 22 acres. The new Hose Factory in the left foreground occupies 100,000 sq. ft. The white building alongside the chimney is the new boilerhouse, in front of which is the new electrical sub-station.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS

The holiday arrangements for both factories are as follows:—

CASTLE MILLS

Friday, Saturday and Monday, January 1-4, 1960.

HEATHHALL

Friday, Monday and Tuesday, January 1-5, 1960.

Heathhall will also be closed on Christmas Day—this in lieu of the 1959 Whit Monday.

Heathhall's Drama Group

JOAN DOWNEY, who is the driving force behind the idea of a Drama Group at Heathhall, reports that the three-act comedy, *Short Story*, by Robert Morley, has been selected as a first production. It is hoped to stage this in March.

Meantime a small group of enthusiasts have commenced reading the play, prior to casting. A shortage of male volunteers is holding back developments. Surely among the male personnel at Heathhall it shouldn't be difficult to find talent. This is an appeal to Heathhall men to rally round Miss Downey in her commendable effort to get a Dramatic Club established.

**A MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR
to all in N.B. and their families**

