

NEWS



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J. Hume nominated Controller



WITH the return of H. O. McCracken to America in the middle of June after his three-year assignment as Controller of North British, it was announced that John Hume, C.A., A.C.W.A., had been appointed as Mr. McCracken's successor.

We take this first opportunity to congratulate Mr. Hume, who is now Controller as well as Company Secretary. A native of Edinburgh, he was appointed to the latter position in April 1958.

Mechanicals Factory Manager

COINCIDENT with the departure at the end of June of W. K. L. Relph and J. A. Dawson to launch a private business venture, J. A. Glass is the new Mechanicals Factory Manager at Castle Mills, to whom we offer sincere congratulations.



J. A. GLASS

Other appointments are: A. Birbeck as Production Manager, Royalite; A. Kay as Production Manager of Formed Mats and Rubber Extrusions, in addition to his previous responsibility for Solvent, Clothing, PowerGrip, Mission and Special Moulded Products; J. Robertson as Plastics Development Manager in succession to Mr. Dawson.

£40 won in Safety Suggestion Competition

IN June of last year a Safety Suggestion Competition was launched with a £25 award for the best idea on safety put forward before 5th June 1962. In the first month of the campaign W. Bird, Motor Tyre Prep., was awarded £15 for Safety Measures on the Spadone Cutter, which he operates.



Though 250 suggestions on Safety were submitted over the year, this idea was judged the most original, and as a result his winnings were increased to £40.

Willie Bird is ever ready to come forward with sound ideas and has had a number of smaller awards in the past. This ingenuity underlines again that ideas that pay off are invariably quite simple. When Mr. Havenhand presented Willie with his £25 cheque on the eve of the Trades Holidays—and what better time to receive it—he emphasised that the Company welcomed worthwhile suggestions of all kinds. One of those days someone will hit the jackpot.

MORE SUGGESTIONS AWARDS

CASTLE MILLS

£3 (Interim).—D. Duncan, Rubber Reclaim (Cracker Section—Production during breakdown).

£2.—R. Logan, Tyre Product Control (Salvage Ply wind-up); Safety Award—R. Cairns, Tyre Building; W. Bird, Tyre Prep. (Wrapper wind-up).

£1, 10s.—R. Purdie, Rubber Reclaim (Cross Blowing).

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Letters of Merit.—J. Gray, Water Bags (Compression Moulding of Water Bags); D. Paton, Royalite (Liners for drums off a batch); J. Jordan, Hose (Amendment to Suggestion for Gear for 12 end .015 Spools); A. Heatherill, Engineers (Burning of Strainers at Rubber Reclaim); G. Maini, Royalite (F.B. Pads); G. H. O'Neill, Tyre Building (Modification to existing Tread Trimming Burners).

Letter of Commendation.—J. Doyle, Foreman, Tyre Building (Passenger Bead Setting Rings).

Letters of Thanks.—A. Murray, Royalite Inspection (Refoaming trimmed F.B. Pads); E. Weir, Royalite (Regulate feed-in of Foaming Oven); J. Scott, Hose Room (Braided Hose), also (Hose Coiling); J. Aitken, Royalite (Cooling of Formed Parts); G. Maini, Royalite (Quicker dispatch of Zephyr Crash Pads); J. Flynn, Royalite (Former Cages—ovens); J. Chalmers, Rubber Reclaim (Prebreaker warming), also

(Replace Oil Pipes at Hopper); G. McKinlay, New Hose (Prevention of Fire-Safety); G. O'Neill, Tyre Building (Safety); J. Wilkie, Joiners (Fire Prevention); G. Mitchell, Gate Police (Safety); K. Ryan, Q./C. Tyre Building (Safety on Tread Transport Trays); H. M. Hill, Quality Control (Economy at Crash Pad from Spreading); A. I. Cowan, Royalite (Safety and tidiness).

HEATHHALL

£2.—N. McGinley, Millroom Calenders (Safer method of motor readings at Paraflo Calender).

Letters of Thanks.—W. Crombie, Rotocure (Electric fans at Bathing Cap Moulding Presses); A. Saunders, Bathing Caps (Modification to Tumbler Machine).



MINING ENGINEERS VISIT CASTLE MILLS

On 28th June some of the delegates to the Convention of Mining, Electrical and Mechanical Engineers spent the day at Castle Mills, visiting Tyres, Hose and Reclaim. In this photograph C. Rutherford (second from right) explains a stage in the manufacture of hose. The group was entertained to lunch.