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JOHN BLACK



IAN CAMERON

John Black and Ian Cameron present the case history of SUBMERGABLE and FLOATING OIL HOSE

EDINBURGH COMPANY GIVES LEAD TO WORLD

GIANT OIL-HOSE ORDERS FOR NORTH BRITISH RUBBER

Television men in Edinburgh, while next day in London it was the turn of the Trade Press to hear the absorbing story of this "world first". At both sessions questions were immediate. Full marks goes to John Black and Ian Cameron for the excellent way they conducted all meetings. There were innumerable compliments on the straightforward and honest approach they adopted both in presentation and at question time. Already Press coverage has been very encouraging. The story made the Television news bulletin of Scottish B.B.C. with film on the Thursday evening and again in the Scottish newscast round-up on Saturday covering the week's highlights. Overleaf is the Submergable/Floating Hose story in detail.

Suggestions—£36 award
 CASTLE MILLS
 Letters of Merit—C. Wosnick, South Mill (Trimming and Wrapping-up machine); J. Stewart, Braided Hose (Simpler repair of overhauled screw holes).
 Letters of Thanks—J. Godden, Royaltie (Storing F.B. and P.B. Pads in Warehouse); K. Ryan, Tyre Product Control (Cementing of Britt Splice); J. Anderson, East Mill (Safety and Good Housekeeping); W. Kay, Mechanical Inspection (Safety).
 HEATHHALL
 £36, 1s. 4d.—T. Brown, Plant Engineers (Modification of Lining Calendar in B wing)—Interim award of £5 already paid.
 £5—J. Wilson, Rag Calendar (Underlay billets striking on stillages).
 £2—W. Martin, Heel Moulding (Heel moulding—Savings). Interim award: T. J. Little, Banbury Mixing (Prevent contamination of mixes on Banbury).
 £1—T. J. Little, Banbury Mixing (Safety—Fork Trucks).
 Letters of Thanks—W. S. Turner, Cement Mixing (Location change—storage of Latex); R. Harkness, Friction Calendar (Running under belt duck); E. McVinnie, Quantity Control (Eliminate studding operation on Bathing Caps).

BRISTOL BRANCH CHANGE
 Upon medical advice Mrs I. F. Woodman has asked to be relieved of her responsibilities as Branch Manager, Bristol. T. Lloyd, formerly assistant, is the new manager. Mrs Woodman's 23 years experience will still be available to assist with type/footwear documentation.
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with a long experience in the transportation side of the oil industry. Assisted by Ian Cameron, he explained by blow-up photographs, diagrams, slides and film in detail the past four years of development. Among so many experts of the oil industry, this factual explanation of what had been achieved stimulated a flood of questions. The question and answer session that followed was most helpful to Production represented by D. F. Vallis, J. Glass, E. Turecki, C. Rutherford, as it was to the Sales Group—T. H. Lee, General Sales Manager, Industrial Products Division, C. H. Futter, Mechanical Sales Manager, U.S.R.O., and A. Forbes, U.S.R.O. Liaison. On the following morning, 27th March, a more condensed presentation was made to Press and

These headlines were typical of the Press reaction to the release of news about the development work of the past four years on special oil hoses to cope with the mono-mooring system brought about by the advent of the super tanker. It was appropriate that the unfolding of the case history should coincide with the visit to Edinburgh on 26th March of a group from the Council of British Petroleum Equipment Manufacturers. In the group were top men in oil companies, including marine captains. The meeting was chaired by D. F. Vallis, Director of Production, who introduced John Black, London Manager of U.S. Rubber Overseas S.A., and Ian Cameron, Hose Superintendent, Castle Mills. John Black, a Scot from Dumbarton, is an expert

on the afternoon of 26th March members of the Council of British Petroleum Equipment Manufacturer's visited the Hose Factory at Castle Mills to see oil-hose making in progress. Our photograph shows Charlie Rutherford, Technical Control Manager, explaining features of a length of submergable hose which underwent extensive practical tests of the May Island last year. In the left foreground are seen four doughnuts which were Amazon oil for the floating version.