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A £20,000,000 Venture

Factory makes progress

THE Ferenka site at Annacotty, near Limerick city, was visited on Wednesday afternoon by the Managing Director of Ferenka Limited, Mr. J. M. H. Jacobs, to review progress and to meet the Press. As already known, Ferenka Limited is a subsidiary company of Akzo N.V., Holland.

The factory will cost some £20,000,000 in investment and will eventually employ 1,000 operatives.

Progress at the site is satisfactory, and it is hoped that it will be maintained in order to meet the completion deadline for production start-up in 1972.

Already, all site preparation work is completed, which necessitated the colossal task of the removal of 150,000 cubic metres of earth. The first steelwork has been erected, and this

operation is being followed by the roofing of the building, which is proceeding apace. Alongside this activity the extensive floor laying operation is going on.

Jobs

The factory will have a total area of 500,000 square feet, and

it will manufacture steelcord for use in car and truck tyres. By late 1972, it is expected to provide jobs for over 1,000 employees, the majority of which will be male, and work on shifts through seven days.

Construction of a three-mile pipe line for water supplies from the Shannon to the factory site is expected to commence shortly. Messrs. P. J. Hegarty, of Cork, are the main contractors on the site, and are working in co-operation with Akzo's own design team. At present, 350 people are employed on this massive construction.

Recruitment

Recruitment will start in a big way in the near future, and a number of specially selected supervisory personnel will be sent to Germany later in the year on a specially designed training course, in which AnCO will co-operate. It is planned to start up a training centre in Limerick, at Corcanree, in an advance factory provided by S.F.A.D.Co., where operative training will be carried out. Offices have been opened at 25 O'Curry Street, Limerick, where the personnel and training functions have already begun.



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