

~~Scotland~~--- This is the village of Muir of Ord in Ross-shire, where most of the houses, including the Police Station, the school and the Church are made of sandstone quarried locally for many years.

As sandstone is more durable than bricks, the Scottish Hydro-Electric Board are sponsoring the building of a village at nearby Contin- made entirely of this material.

~~And~~ after speeches ~~from the platform~~ by Mr Tom Johnstone- Chairman of the Hydro Board, and Commander Galbraith, -Joint Parliamentary Under Secretary for Scotland, - ~~then~~ the latter mounted a bull-dozer to perform the inaugural ceremony.

And so the first turf was well and truly cut of the new village which should be completed this year.

In the quarries of Muir of Ord, blasting brings down the stone which is first planed ^{IT IS} and then removed to be cut into blocks of suitable size. This is done by a specially ^{type of circular saw} made wheel, similar in appearance to a circular saw.

And a power-driven planing machine smoothes away all the rough edges. The Luichart Generating Station is built ^{entirely} ~~entirely~~ of this local stone, ^{material,} while ~~historic~~ Inverness Castle stands - a proud monument to the durability of Scottish sandstone.

Yes, many buildings - from Generating stations to historic castles, stand as an enduring ~~memory~~ proof of the durability of Scottish sandstone.