The Queen at Harwell

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Berkshire: At the Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Hatwell, the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh received an enthusiastic welcome from workers, assembled in every vantage point.

Then the door to Britain's industrial future was opened for the Royal Visitors - to see the latest developments in the peace-time uses of nuclear power.

In the control room of the "Dido" Reactor, Her Majesty pressed a button that raised the power level...

And the Duke manipulated the "mechanical hands" - a sensitive decision used for handling highly radio-active materials.

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A five hour tour - bringing encouragement to Britain's atom scientists,