St. Mary has world’s largest carbon plant

Cabot still grows, top officials say

The biggest carbon black plant in the world is still growing, and this week some of the company’s top officials were in Franklin to check on progress and talk about the future.

Cabot Corporation’s Canal Plant located on the Bayou Sale peninsula adjoining the Intracoastal Canal enjoys the distinction of being “the world’s largest” with 11 units operating, over 500 persons employed in production and construction, and the company having a capability of manufacturing 750,000 pounds of carbon black in a day’s time. In addition to having the largest carbon black facility in the world, Cabot makes the greatest variety of products.

Thomas Cabot, son of founder Godfrey Cabot, who now serves in the capacity of chairman of the company, arrived in Franklin Monday evening along with other officials that included his son, Louis W. Cabot, the company president and chief executive officer. Other key officials accompanied them to Franklin where they met for dinner Monday evening at the Magnolia Room of the Forest Restaurant for a session with local Cabot officials.

BUSINESS BLOOMING

The Cabots reported that business is booming paralleling the forward movement of the automotive industry, major user of carbon black. An interview with the Cabots and D. C. Paulsen, local plant manager, revealed that the seventh thermal black unit of the Canal Plant is now under construction and is expected to be in operation around October 1. It is at that time that the St. Mary Parish industry is expected to increase its capacity of 650,000 pounds of daily production to 750,000 pounds a day.

Thomas Cabot noted that the plant here is not (Continued on page 5)

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