

# SAGE'S FACTORY NOW AN ORDNANCE DEPOT

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## Government Acquire Aeronco Property

The "Standard" learns that the Walton factory formerly occupied by the Aeronautical Corporation of Great Britain has been acquired by the Government.

It will come under the aegis of the Royal Army Ordnance Corps, and will be known officially as "Ordnance Sub-Depot, Peterborough." The premises were taken over as from January 25th, and a skeleton staff has moved in. Speaking to a "Standard" reporter this week a member of the staff said, "Certain Government stock will be stored here. but what that will be we are not at liberty to divulge." Asked how the employment position would be affected locally, he said that a few labourers would be taken on through the Employment Exchange, and that one or two key men would be brought in from other centres. The premises were formerly the property of Messrs. Frederick Sage and Co., Ltd. They were put up for sale in June last year on behalf of the liquidator of the Aeronautical Corporation, and were withdrawn at £32,000.

Mr. Henry G. Butcher, of Messrs. H. Butcher and Co., Ltd., London, the auctioneer, told the company at that time that to erect such premises would cost up to £70,000. The premises comprise an administrative block with a floor space of 93,000 square feet, and a range of well lighted buildings with north light. They are approached from Sage's lane and sidings run from the works to the L.N.E.R. main line. The property covers some five acres, including two acres of vacant land.

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