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The Editorial Staff have decided to combine the July and August issues of the Bulletin, as this will considerably ease the pressure of work brought about by holidays and increased activity in other matters.

1. STOCK CHANGES.

(a) NEW VEHICLES

Fleet No:	Regn. No:	Chassis			Body				U.W.
		Make	Type	Number	Builder No:	Type	Seats	Enti	
863	LWR 429	B1	KSW60	98041	ECW	5960	L	27/28 R	7-18-2
864	LWR 430	B1	KSW60	98042	ECW	5961	L	27/28 R	7-18-3
CUG 8	LYC 714	B1	LS60	97052	ECW	7013	C	39 F	7-0-2

N.B. The correct chassis designation of the new Lodokka, MWR 618, is LD6B NOT LDW6B as stated in our last issue.

(b) RELICENSED

Y236, Y237, Y241.

2/7/53

(c) DELICENSED

1014

30/6/53

(d) ON HIRE TO "WEST YORKSHIRE"

Lincolnshire 729, 730, 734, returned to owner 30/6/53  
 " 762, 766. " " " 14/7/53

(e) VEHICLE SALES

966, delicensed in October 1950 due to accidental damage, has recently been disposed of by the Company.

3. DEPOT CHANGES.

(a) ALLOCATIONS & TRANSFERS

MWR 618	from YORK	to (Cumberland)	27/6/53
MWR 618	" (Cumberland)	" (United)	17/6/53
1014	" YORK	" (delicensed)	30/6/53
Lincolnshire 729/30/34	" BRADFORD	" (Lincolnshire)	30/6/53
Y236, Y237, Y241	(delicensed)	" YORK	1/7/53
863, 864	(now)	" LEEDS	1/7/53
CUG 8	(now)	" HARRGATE	1/7/53

FILE NOTES

3. DEPOT CHANGES (Contd)

(a) ALLOCATIONS & TRANSFERS  
(Contd)

	CUG 1-3	From	HARROGATE	to	BRADFORD	
	CUG 4	"	HARROGATE	"	LEEDS	4/7/53
	MWR 618	"	(United)	"	YORK	4/7/53
Lincolnshire	762, 766	"	BRADFORD	"	(Lincolnshire)	9/7/53
	MWR 618	"	YORK	"	HARROGATE	14/7/53
						25/7/53

\* It is understood that this move is only in the nature of a loan, and is probably designed to acquaint major depots with the problems of maintenance and operation etc., of the Lokka.

(b) TEMPORARY LOANS

Tilling	-	MXB	736	Regal	C 35 F	ECW	LEEDS	20/6/53
Tilling	-	MXB	748	Bristol LL6G	C 35 F	ECW	LEEDS	4/7/53
Lincolnshire	748	FFW	829	Bristol L6B	B 35 K	ECW	BRADFORD	4/7/53
Tilling	-	MXB	746	Bristol LL6G	C 35 F	ECW	LEEDS	10/7/53
Tilling	-	LYM	727	regal I	C 37 F	ECW	LEEDS	18/7/53
Eastern Cnts	LJ440	NG	9901	Bristol J05G	C 31 F	ECW	LEEDS	18/7/53
Tilling	-	MXB	737	regal	C 35 F	ECW	LEEDS	25/7/53
Tilling	-	MXB	756	regal	C 35 F	ECW	LEEDS	31/7/53
Lincolnshire	986	KRE	177	Bristol LS6G	C 39 F	ECW	BRADFORD	31/7/53
Wilts&Dorset	834	JMR	614	Bristol LS6G	S 39 D	ECW	BRADFORD	1/8/53
Tilling	-	LYM	729	regal IV	C 39 F	ECW	LEEDS	8/8/53
Tilling	-	MXB	738	regal	C 35 F	ECW	LEEDS	16/8/53

Eastern Counties LJ 440 is one of a batch built in 1935 with Bristol JW type petrol engine - later replaced by a 51W. It has a 1935 Eastern Counties coach body similar to those fitted to WY 688-93 (withdrawn 1950).

During recent weeks quite a number of vehicles have been on loan to Leeds Depot. They have included:- 110 (B), 118 (B), 139 (H), 152 (K), 171 (B), 251 (H), 255 (H), 649 (H), 662 (XX), 663 (XX), CUG 3 (then H now B). The duration of their stay has varied considerably: in some cases it has been for one day only: in others, as long as three weeks. At the time of going to press, 649 was still operating from Leeds.

(c) MOVEMENTS OF DELICENCED VEHICLES

938	had been moved from	YEADON	to	LEEDS	by	3/7/53.
906	" " " "	KEIGHLEY (South St)	to	BRADFORD	by	7/7/53.
986	" " " "	KEIGHLEY (South St)	to	BRADFORD	by	9/7/53.
973, 993	" " " "	YEADON	to	LEEDS	by	10/7/53.
988	" " " "	YEADON	to	LEEDS	by	16/7/53.
958	" " " "	LEEDS	to	BRADFORD	by	17/7/53.
101	" " " "	YEADON	to	LEEDS	by	24/7/53.
922, 993	" " " "	YORK	to	BRADFORD	by	31/7/53.
953	" " " "	YEADON	to	BRADFORD	by	31/7/53.

906 was moved to Bradford on trade plates 1130; 986 on 477 G. 995, delicensed on 30/9/52, entered works in early August for conversion to a lorry. 989 has taken over the duties previously performed by 923 at York. (See issues 18, page 2, & 25, page 7).

VEHICLE NOTES.

(a) OVERHAULS

June 1953 : 126, 217, Y239, 256, 711, Y762  
 July 1953 : 140, 181, 195, K363, Y375, Y378,  
 415, K717, K773, 780, 822.

(b) REPAIRS

June 1953 : 268, 426, 751, 752  
 July 1953 : 184, 220, 1015, also 923 in  
 green but retaining red roof.

711(H) has been equipped with a roller blind, and the whole of the 707-11 batch are now so fitted.

CUG 8 (H) does not display its allocated fleet number.

LODEKKA - DESCRIPTION.

In May of this year the Company took delivery of one of six Lodekkas built in advance of the first production batch of 200. Others have been delivered to Bristol Tramways, Gosport, Hants and Dorset, United Counties, and Western National. It may be observed that all these are 'green' companies and this may account for the departure from the usual red internal colour scheme for the WY model.

The loading features of the design are that the divided drive of the two prototypes has given place to a single line transmission displaced to the side of the chassis, in conjunction with a low chassis using the Bristol 'K' type frame. Engines available are the Bristol AVW, and the Gardner 51W and 61W. The WY version has the AVW engine.

Overall height is 13'5" against 13'4" of the prototype, and there is a seating capacity of 58 (33 upper, 25 lower) compared with 55 in a standard lowbridge, and 60 in a standard hybrid.

A feature of the body is that there is only one step from ground level to lower deck, there being no second step to the saloon from the rear platform. The centre gangway is sunken, and the front seat for five passengers faces rearwards owing to the steep upward sweep of the chassis frame in the region of the front bulkhead. Another minor but interesting feature is that the blind on the nearside bulkhead window pulls upward from behind the back of the seat. The staircase is a spiral replacing the usual two flights, and the vehicle is equipped with front and rear indicators as distinct from the previous model (WY 822) which has only one - at the front.

The normal Bristol radiator has given place to a grille of the type originating in Birmingham, but is probably the most pleasing design yet introduced.

5. OPERATING DETAILS.

PARKERS OF DONCASTER.

Further vehicles hired to WY include:-

4	MUA	923	Commer	Commando	
7	MUA	216	Commer	Commando	
24	GGB	96	Maudslay	Marathon III	- Plaxton.

Corrections:-

No: 18 is SMP 338 Maudslay Marathon III - Whitson, and not VO 5068 as stated in Issue 29. The latter vehicle is thought to be No: 15.

No: 19 (KWT 704) is an Albion Valiant NOT a Victor. (See Issue 29). It is interesting to recall that ex-WY 13 KW 5441 Albion PMA 28 was acquired by Parkers in 1946, becoming their No: 1. It is believed to have burnt out.

5. OPERATING DETAILS (Contd).

OPERATING  
Bradford  
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LONGSTERS OF PATELEY BRIDGE: AWX 178 must have been one of the Leyland TS 7's to retain a petrol engine. It was recently fitted with an 8.6 litre diesel. WQ 1113 Leyland TS 4, which ran for WY several times in 1951, arrived at a breakers yard in Bradford during July 1953.

TILLING TRANSPORT (BTC) LTD: The reference last month to MXB 739-43 as being reconstructed from Bristol Tramways Regal I's should of course apply to MXB 733-38.

BODDY'S OF BRIDLINGTON: This is yet another firm which is hiring regularly to WY. Vehicles noted have been:-

KBT 803	AEC Regal III	-	Plaxton	(re-bodied 1952)
FWF 87	AEC Regal III	-	Plaxton	
NRH 897	AEC Regal IV	-	Plaxton	
NRH 888	AEC Regal IV	-	Plaxton	
CTA 109	Leyland	-	?	

Bradford: Coastal traffic from Bradford on Saturday, 11/7/53, included:-

- 1.57 pm Scarborough to Liverpool (X192): 451/52/55/56 (all L).
- 2.00 pm Whitby Express: 439, 441 (both B); 111(B) relieved as far as Leeds.
- 2.30 pm Bridlington express: 429, 435, 437, 438, 441, EUG 2, EUG 5 (all B).
- 3.00 pm Scarborough express: EUG 1, CUG 3, 351 (all B), with K420 from Keighley.

The 1.35 pm trip to Middleton Sanatorium on 12/7/53 consisted of 133, 136, 138, 223 (all B).

On 13/7/53, 851 (B) duplicated the 4.55 pm Bradford-Harrogate (53) turn, probably for exhibition at the Great Yorkshire Show which was held at Harrogate from the 13th to the 15th July.

Amongst the usual 39 centers used for the 2.30 pm Bridlington express trip on 18/7/53 were Boddy's of Bridlington NRH 887 and NRH 888. 135 and 171 (both B) were noted going to Blackpool, while the X192 Scarborough - Liverpool journey consisted of 426, 650 (both YK), 450, 451, 452, 454 (all L). Far more WY vehicles are being used this year than at any other time in the past.

Traffic from Bradford on Bank Holiday Saturday was very heavy as can be seen from the following observations made between 8.15 am and 9.30 am.

- 8.35 am Blackpool (J6): 436 (B), Parkers No: 24, Feather Bros: JKU 500
- 8.35 am Southport (J6): Hargreaves of Hebden, DWU 162, Bedford WB.
- 8.45 am Keswick (X87):

ex-Bradford:-

- LoFP EOX 79; Feather Bros: GAK 700;
- Broadhead, Dewsbury, HD 9185 Maudslay Marathon
- Ripponden & District KWU 767 PSU1/A.C.B.
- Simpson of Ripon No: 10 JWT 848 Bedford OB

ex-Leeds:-

- Simpson of Ripon No: 9 HWY 270 Guy-Plaxton.
- " " " No: 12 KWX 225 Bedford SB
- " " " No: 13 KWX 226 " Plaxton.
- " " " No: 14 KWX 227 " "
- Ranson's No: 321 FVH 480 Bedford-Duple
- Tilling MXB 736; and WY 643 (H).
- to Glasgow :- 654, 655 (both L)
- to Edinburgh:- 656 (L).
- Dryburgh Abbey Tour :- 677 (L).

OPERATING DETAILS (Contd).

Bradford:- 8.15 am to 9.30 a.m. departures ex-Bradford continued from previous page  
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8.35 am Whitby (91): 110(B) and UAS: BBE 16. This is the first time a United semi has been noted on this service.

8.55 am Newcastle: 136, 174 (both B).

9.00 am Fleetwood (J1): Ivy Coaches No: 24 ECX 135 Regal I - Santus  
" " ? JH 8067 Regal III -  
Burlingham.

9.30 am Morecambe (X88): WY 456 (L).  
ex-Bradford: Denton Motors JWY 998 Commer Avenger/Plaxton  
" " FED 889 Austin  
ex-Leeds: Yorkshire Queen KTC 627 Bedford OB/Duple  
C.W. Boddy, Camblesforth, Selby, DCX 838  
Maudslay Marathon III/Plaxton.  
W&S EYG 934 and KWW 242, with WY 672(H).

9.30 am Scarborough Express:  
ex-Bradford: Feather Bros: GUK 380.  
ex-Keighley: K443, and Broughton (Barnoldswick) BCK 190  
Bedford OB.

Other hirings included Dentons GTF 575 & HTF 333 both FS1/Santus (used on X88), and Buckle (Barnsley) CHE 421 Maudslay Marathon III/Santus.

Harrogate: Since its arrival at Harrogate on 25/7/53, MWR 618 has been used on Services 36, 51/53, and 74. It has also spent a full day working Bilton (12) and New Park (9).  
618, one of the two Morris JCB's, worked service 11 (Bachelor Gardens) from 31/7/53 to 5/8/53 inclusive. The following day it was on 16 (Knarborough).  
351/53/54, which were originally transferred to operate routes 9 and 12 following the change-over to double deck traffic, have now been replaced on these services by vehicles of the 707-11 batch.

Ilkley: On 24/6/53, 811 was noted operating on an Ilkley-Bradford turn normally worked by a Bradford Depot vehicle. The following day, 746 (L) was seen on '68' and may have been replacing an Ilkley vehicle which had failed.

Keighley: The routes operated by Keighley-West Yorkshire can be divided into two classes: (i) town services, and (ii) outer suburban and inter-urban. The majority of these services are now worked by double deckers, the K5G's being kept mainly on the town services, and the K6B's on the remainder.

The 'town services' are :-

- |     |                                 |      |
|-----|---------------------------------|------|
| 1.  | Utley-Spring Bank               | (DD) |
| 2.  | Cooke St - Calver Ave.          | (DD) |
| 3.  | Cooke St - Broster Ave.         | (SD) |
| 4.  | Cooke St - Braithwaite Ave      | (DD) |
| 5.  | Cooke St - Victoria Hospital    | (DD) |
| 6.  | Fell Lane - Thwaites            | (DD) |
| 21. | Stockbridge - Bracken Bank Cres | (DD) |
| 22. | Stockbridge - Bracken Bank Ave  | (DD) |
| 23. | Utley - Bracken Bank Crescent   | (DD) |

The 'outer suburban services' are :-

- |      |                               |                |
|------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| 7.   | Bus Station - Laycock         | (DD)           |
| 13.  | Bus Station - Riddlesden      | (SD - Bedford) |
| 13A. | Bus Station - West Riddlesden | (SD - Bedford) |
| 14.  | Bus Station - Morton          | (SD)           |
| 15.  | Bingley - Morton              | (SD)           |
| 16.  | Bus Station - Oldfield        | (SD)           |
| 17.  | Bus Station - Oakworth        | (DD)           |
| 20.  | Bus Station - Thwaites Brow   | (SD)           |
| 25.  | Bus Station - Hainworth       | (SD - Bedford) |

5. OPERATING DETAILS (Contd)

Keighley  
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The 'inter-urban services' are :-

- 8. Keighley - Sutton (DD)
- 9. Keighley - Colne \* (DD)
- 10. Keighley - Skipton (DD)
- 12. Haworth-Keighley-Silsden-Ilkley (DD)
- 18. Keighley - Oxenhope (DD) - Leeming-Denholme (SD)
- 19. Keighley - Oxenhope - Hobden Bridge (DD) /

(\* Jointly operated with Burnley, Colne & Nelson Joint Committee).  
 (/ Jointly operated with Todmorden Joint Committee).

There are 15 K5G's and 20 K6B's of Keighley-West Yorkshire allocated to Keighley Depot. One DD (K363) is allocated to Skipton for service 10 (Keighley-Skipton) and is rostered to work several journeys on 8 (Keighley-Sutton) in addition. One SD (K205) is also at Skipton and is for route 11 (Skipton-Cononley-Silsden).

Two other DD's (K717/18) are allocated to Ilkley to work route 12 (Ilkley-Haworth) and occasionally appear on WY routes 63, 68 and 76.

Only one of the 'town services' is operated with single deckers - 3 (Broster Ave). 4 (Fell Lane-Thwaites) is occasionally worked by single deckers also. 14 (Morton), 15 (Bingley-Morton), 16 (Oldfields), & 18 (Denholme via Leeming) are worked with 32-seaters, while 20 (Thwaites Brow) is often worked by 39-seaters. Although the swing bridge over the canal at Riddlesden was strengthened some years ago to take larger buses, a very sharp bend necessitates the continued use of Bedfords on route 13.

The WY vehicles at Keighley participate in the following routes:- 31 (2 DD), 57 (1 DD), 62/62A (2 SD), 67 (4 DD), while in addition there is one DD (744) at Skipton also for 67. All vehicles on 67, whether Bradford, Keighley or Skipton, work a rota which includes both Keighley and Skipton journeys. During the periods when there is a 20 minute service on routes 30 and 31, Keighley vehicles do journeys on 30 (Leeds-Bradford) while conversely, Bradford vehicles work journeys on 31.

A few hours observations on Thursday Afternoon July 9th, produced the following, and it is thought to be quite representative :-

- |   |                            |
|---|----------------------------|
| 1. K362, K379   | 13. 614, K617              |
| 2. K720   | 14/15. 131, 152            |
| 3. 129, K420  | 16. 149                    |
| 4. K721   | 17. K769, K772, K792, K795 |
| 5. K764   | 18. (nothing observed)     |
| 6. K722   | 19. Todmorden No: 14       |
| 7. K738   | 20. 129                    |
| 8. K764, K768, 744(SK)  | 21. K364, K719             |
| 9. K765, K794   | 22. K365, K382, K383, K384 |
| 10. K168  | 23. K367, K380             |
| 12. K739, K765, K767, K771, K773, K718 (I)  |                            |
| 31. 729, 788 (both K); 833, 834, 857 (all L); 394, 839 (both B)   |                            |
| 67. 356, 728, 790, 791 (all X); 358, 385, 386, 388, 389 (all B); K741 (on loan to SK). 104, 136, & 437 (all B) ran as extras. |                            |

Most of the DD's are accounted for above. K743 was on dock; 789 is thought to have been on 57, and K363 (SK) was away for overhaul. 744 had replaced it on 8/10, while K741 had taken over 744's duties on 67. Most of the SD's were running on rush hour extras; those mentioned above were service cars.

On Saturday morning, July 25th, the following were noted, thus completing the survey of all routes :- 18 (Oxenhope) K740, 614, 19 (Hobden Bridge) K764, 25 (Hainworth) 614.

OPERATING  
Keighley  
(Contd)

OPERATING DETAILS (Contd)

Keighley: Saturday, July 25th was the beginning of Keighley  
(Contd) Holiday Week, and observations from 8.30 am to  
10.15 am produced some interesting workings.

- 8.45 am Newcastle: 409, 410, 434 (all K).
- 9.00 am Scarborough EXP: 433 (K), with Robinson's (Great Harwood) 58  
LTC 724 (Maudslay Marathon III/Duple)  
YTC 672 to London.  
YWD 638 to Cheltenham (on hire to  
Associated Motorways)  
WY 249 (B) to London.  
This did not arrive until 10.10 am,  
and then proceeded direct via Brad-  
ford & Wakefield (instead of Halifax  
and Huddersfield).
- 9.05 am Southport: EWO 505 Bedford OWB of Broughton's,  
No: 47 JTD 840 Bedford OB of Laycock's, also  
WY 224, 438 (both B) from Bradford.
- 9.05 am Blackpool (J9): Parkers No: 24 with EWU 306 Bedford OB of  
Bolton-by-Bowland Motor Services; also  
Parkers Nos: 7 and 23, and WY 222 (B) from  
Bradford.
- 9.15 am Keswick (X87) 665 (K) from Keighley to Keswick.  
653, 658, 659 (all L) from Leeds to Scotland.  
677 (L) Leeds to Bryburgh Abbey (tour).  
253, 254 (both H); 456 (L), Loff BCK 79;  
Talling MKB 736 (L), Ivy coaches No: 24,  
and GDF 325 Marathon III of Broadway Tours,  
Horsforth.
- 9.35 am Blackpool (J5): From Pudsey & Co., 458 (L) and:-  
Majestic Coaches, Selby, GWT 6 (PS1/Duple) &  
" " " KWW 475 (Bedford SE  
Duple).
- 9.30 am Fleetwood (J1): 223 (B), 450 (L), & Feather Bros: GAK 380,  
all from Bradford, and Pennine JWT 724  
(PS 2 - Burlingham Bus Body) from Keighley.

Leeds: On 19/6/53, 152, 431, & 432 (all K), were noted parked outside  
the Town Hall, together with a number of coaches from other  
districts.

When seen in Leeds on 26/6/53, 445, 446 (both H), & 450 (L), carried  
labels bearing the words "R.A.F. SPECIAL", and were probably on the  
special service from Dishforth R.A.F. Station previously referred to  
in these Bulletins.

JV 6964 Lancet II of Anfields, Bridlington, was noted on hire  
on 27/6/53.

YTC 804 worked the 10.30 am Leeds-Blackpool (J2) departure on  
1/7/53. This seems to be a regular turn for Yorkshire Traction as  
YTC 885 was seen on 18/7/53. It will be recalled that it was also  
a regular Hebble and Yorkshire Woollen working during the winter.

412/14/24/53/58, 676/77 (all L) were seen on an early morning  
excursion to the East Coast on Saturday 11/7/53. 247/48 (both H),  
448/49 (both YK), were noted on the Bridlington express service the  
same day.

Vehicles noted on the Keighley-Scarborough express service on  
11/7/53 included :- 409 (K), K419 (K), with the following hirings:-

- AHE 957 Bedford OB/Duple Gawthorne's, Barnsley.
- JP 6500 Bedford OB/Duple Harcastle's, Doncaster.

also, Parkers Nos: 4 and 7; Loff AWX 178, and Boddy's KBT 803 and  
FWF 87.

5. OPERATING DETAILS (Contd).

Leeds: When seen on 18/7/53, the 10.0 am Scarborough express service consisted of:- K420/21 (K) and NUA 885 Foden of Service Motors. Other hired vehicles appearing on this service late in the day included :- Loff AWX 178; W&S LUA 467; with JH 8067 and COV 851 both Regal's of Ivy Coaches.

648/49 (both H) went to Bridlington during the afternoon. Eastern Counties LJ 440 is thought to have worked to Scarborough the same day.

658 worked the through service from Leeds to Hawes on 22/7/53. As the destination did not appear on the vehicle's blind, a label was carried on the front.

The 8.35 am Leeds-Middlesbrough journey is always operated by a Harrogate Depot vehicle (usually a semi). On 5/8/53, 254 (H) was used, but was accompanied by 265 (YK) !

CTA 109 of Boddy's, Bridlington; JV 6964 of Anfields; and Yorkshire Queen HUF 275, with WY 260 (SK), formed part of the 3.0 pm Leeds-Bridlington express service on Saturday, 8/8/53.

ribble 786 was seen in Leeds on the 10.15 am ex-Scarborough to Liverpool (X192) service on 10/8/53.

One of our Leeds observers was present at Wellington Street Bus Station on Bank Holiday Saturday, and the following notes collected by him make interesting reading:-

10.25 am		Liverpool	WY 403(L); NW 184 duplicating to Manchester.
10.25 am		London	WY 252(H), 660(H).
10.30 am		Blackpool	YFC 885; with HWK 259 Bedford CB/Duple of Illingworth's, Criggleston, near Wakefield, on hire to WY.
10.35 am		Middlesbrough	WY 197 (L), 203 (SK).
10.35 am		Newcastle	YWD 730, with Parkers No: 14.(WY hiring); YWD 718 & 724 followed at 10.50 am.
10.40 am		X192 Liverpool to Scarborough	ribble 913.
10.40 am	46	ox-Hull	EY 547.
10.55 am		ox-Manchester	NW 186, 190, 671, 680, with YWD 718, 721, 724 duplicating from Dowsbury.
11.05 am	43	Scarborough	WY 147 (YK), with ribble 854 on hire to WY.
11.15 am		Hull to Blackpool	EY 652.
11.25 am		Liverpool	NW 671; YWD 733 duplicating to Manchester.
11.35 am		Newcastle	NW 186, 190, followed at 11.50 am by WY 184(L).
11.40 am	45	ox Bridlington	EY 457, 578.
11.43 am		ox Newcastle	NGT 1263.
11.43 am		ox Middlesbrough	UAS BB 2, BB 26, BB 29, LLE 6, LLE 22. UAS BG 402 arrived at 12.35 pm.
11.50 am		Newcastle to Lowestoft	EC BS 925, LLE 703; UAS BBE 9, BBE 14.
11.55 am		ox Liverpool	NGT 1304; NW 175; LUT 185, 191, 337. LUT arrived at 11.35 am.
12.05 pm	46	Hull	EY 547.
12.10 pm	44	ox Bridlington	EY 579. This left for Bridlington at 12.35 pm.
12.25 pm		Liverpool	NW 175; LUT 191, 337; NGT 1304. NGT 865 and WY 138(B) followed at 12.55 pm.
12.34 pm	J2	ox Blackpool	ribble 1166, 2362.
	J1	ox Blackpool	ribble 703, 709, with Holmwood of Ormskirk NTE 823 on hire to ribble and operating from Preston.
12.35 pm		Middlesbrough	UAS LLE 22; LUT 186 left at 12.10 pm.
12.35 pm		Newcastle	NGT 1257.
12.40 pm	46	ox Hull	EY 599; WY 457(L).

OPERATING DETAILS (Contd).

12.43 pm	ox Newcastle	NCT 863, 1257, 1310, 1312, 1313, 1321, 1328; YWD MD 8510; NGT 1257 arrived at 12.25 pm.
12.47 pm	Birmingham	YTC 426.
12.55 pm	ox Liverpool	LUT 341; NGT 1241.
1.10 pm	91 ox Whitby	UAS LLE 10, LLE 12.
2.30 pm	Blackpool	kibble 349, 709, 727, with HSP 144 of Collinsons, Dowsbury, on hire to kibble.
2.35 pm	Newcastle	NW 168; NGT 1267.
2.43 pm	ox Newcastle	NGT 866, 966, 1256, 1281, 1309.
2.49 pm	ox Blackpool	NW 383.
2.55 pm	ox Liverpool	WY 444(H), 445(H).
		LUT 109, 190, 346.
		NGT 1324.
2.55 pm	ox Llandudno	NW 678, 767, with NW 184 duplicating from Manchester.
		Crosville KW 235, KW 242, KW 254, KW 253, KW 263.
3.01 pm	Coventry to Newcastle	NGT 1484, 1485.
	Coventry to Leeds	YTC 973.
3.05 pm	43 Scarborough	WY 850(L), with kibble 233 on hire to WY.

The following vehicles were noted on the East Coast express services :-

1.00 pm	ox Bridlington	EY 457.
12.30 pm	ox Scarborough	WY 217, 221, 415, 424, 455 (all L), 671 (B), 674 (H), 751 (L), CUG 6 (H).
2.30 pm	Whitby	263 (YK), CUG 6 (H).
3.30 pm	Scarborough	179 (YK), 213, 214, 246, 247 (all H), 250 (SK), 417 (YK), 444, 445 (both H), 751 (L).

The undermentioned hirings were also noted :-

HWY 269	Guy (?)	Simpson's, Ripon.	Scarboro' Express
KWY 97	Bodford SB	Simpson's, Ripon.	" "
HUP 275	Dennis Lancot II	Yorkshire Queen.	" "
JWU 792	Commer	Hargreaves, Hobdon.	" "
KWT 221	Loyland PS	Castle Coaches, Holmfirth	" "
ERO 300	Loyland PS1	Boddy's, Camblesforth, Solby	" "
GDY 326	Marathon III	Broadway Tours, Horsforth	" "
DBD 907	Bodford OB/Duple	Totley, Leeds, 6.	" "
EYK 82	AEC Mogal III	Hanson's.	Liverpool
JWX 599	Albion	H. Roskitt, Whitley Bridge	Scarboro' exp:
LWY 388	Bodford SB	H. Roskitt, Whitley Bridge	" "
DTK 636	Bodford OB	Baro' Mogis & District	Newcastle

with Loff FBU 973 (Scarborough Express), W&S FXW 446 (Whitby Express), and Wilts & Dorset 534 (Scarborough express). Roskitt's JWX 599 was also used on Blackpool.

The continual arrival and departure of vehicles from Wellington Street Bus Station made it impossible to cover fully the outgoing and incoming traffic on the coastal express services, and this should be borne in mind when reading the above notes.

Abbreviations:

EC	Eastern Counties.	NGT	Northern General.	WY	West Yorkshire.
EY	East Yorkshire.	NW	North Western.	YTC	Yorkshire Traction.
LUT	Lancashire United.	UAS	United Automobile Services.	YWD	Yorkshire Woollen.

5. OPERATING DETAILS (CONTD)

Leeds:  
(Contd)

Holiday traffic was again heavy on Saturday, 8/8/53, and the following observations made between 6.30 am and 8.30 gives some indication as to where people were going.

- 6.30 am Blackpool express: 209(H), 210(H), 245(H), 412(L), 415(L), & Wardways, Ringley. Ashore, Castleford B&I on hire. Leeds Waddington, Leeds. Yorkshire Queen. Kildaro Coaches. Service Motors. Herts Taxis, Doncaster.
- JWU 143 Maudslay  
EUG 241 Bedford OB/Duple  
KUP 215 " " "  
KUU 230 " " "  
HVE 276 Lancet IX  
GKX 123 Daimler  
MAB 130 Bedford OB  
RSM 543 Bedford OB/Duple
- EUC 317 Regal/Burlingham S.M.T.  
GFG 631 Bedford OB/Duple Rayfields, Culton, near Leeds.
- 6.30 am Scarborough express: 451(L), 454(L), 851(B), 983(B), CUG 1(B) & DED 907 Bedford OB/Duple Tetley, Leeds 6.  
GWW 325 Daimler Kildaro Coaches.  
GWW 426 Daimler Kildaro Coaches.  
CGG 873 Bedford OB/Duple Morton, Leeds 9.  
KWW 242, FEW 446, GEU 413 of Wrays.  
MKB 551, JKD 127, & JKC 41 all Foden's of Toppings Super Coaches, Liverpool, and on hire to Ribbles.  
JKA 764, JKC 636 (both P31's), LKC 558 (P22) & KKB 589 (Foden) of Crown Coaches, Liverpool, also on hire to Ribbles.
- 6.30 am Bridlington express: 217(L), 423(L), 433(B), 665(K), 751(L), Y758 (YK), CUG 3(B), CUG 6(H), CUG 8(H), EUG 1(B), EUG 2(B); and EY 535, 541 and 550, also TR 6164 Loyland TS Rayton's, Leeds.
- 6.30 am Whitby express: 216(L), 258(L), 436(B), 437(B), 441(B).
- 7.05 am Scarborough (43) 864(L)
- 7.30 am Bridlington express: 646(H).
- 7.35 am Newcastle 152(K), 164(H), 178(K), 195(H), and No:18 KKA 980 Bedford OB/Duple of Loon Motor Services, Finningley, near Doncaster.
- 7.45 am Bridlington (44) 266(YK), 845(H on loan to YK).
- 7.55 am Yorkshire Services: to London :- East Midland AC 3 (Regal III Duple).  
to Birmingham :- EY 522.
- 8.05 am Hull (46) 184(L), 185(L).
- 8.15 am Koswick (487) HBT 561 Lancet II/Yeates Broadbents, York  
HWU 891 and EYG 934 of Wrays,  
LYM 727 Tilling, with WY 653, 654, 656, 657 (all L) working to Scotland.
- 8.15 am Blackpool 401(L), 403(L), 414(L), 417(YK), 448/49(YK)  
GWW 6 Loyland P31/Duple Majestic, Selby.  
BRC 188 Bedford OB/Duple " "  
KUG 361 Daimler/Plaxton Hoops, Leeds.

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8.20 am	Blackpool	HWR 259	Bedford OB/Duple	Illingworth, Crigglestone
		CHL 679	Bedford OB/Duple	" "
		HTJ 957	Bedford OB/Duple	" "
		FBU 27	Bedford OB/Duple	Roy Neill Coaches, Leeds.
		HSM 501	Bedford OB/Duple	Kildare Coaches.
		JP 6500	Bedford OB/Duple	Hardcastle, Doncaster.
			also WY 413(L).	" "
8.25 am	Manchester		158 (L)	
8.30 am	Fleetwood (J1)		455 (L)	
8.35 am	Newcastle		KTB 504 of Wrays.	
8.35 am	Middlesbrough		286 (H).	

(N.B. Hardcastle's, Doncaster, also trade as Hart's taxis).

Scarborough: All five EUG's were seen in Scarborough on Sunday, 7/6/53 on 'private hire'. The 7.5 pm Leeds-Scarborough (43) turn on Friday, 17/7/53, consisted of 170(L) and 976; the following week, 418 and 427 appeared. Vehicles of the Y236-45 batch are now frequently seen working through from York.

Yeadon: The Yeadon Old Folks Outing was held this year on Saturday 20/6/53. The destination was New Brighton and the coaches used were:- 640-45/60-65/68-70/77, CUG 6/7, & Tilling MXB 736.

The following Saturday saw the departure of the Yeadon Factory Workers Outing to Southport. 642-45/63/69/72-75/77, CUG 1-3/5 were employed on this occasion.

Lastly on 4/7/53, came the Yeadon Trades Hall Annual Childrens Outing to Scarborough. The following 28 coaches were used :- 640-45/61/63-68/72-75, CUG 1-5; EUG 1-5 and Tilling MXB 748.

The Yeadon allocation on 14/8/53 was :-

From Leeds:- 219, 258, 357, 748, 970, 977, 979.  
From Bradford:- 387, 391, 836.

There are no longer any bible indicator boards at Yeadon and some difficulty was experienced during the weekend of 8/9th August when 132(L) replaced 258.

York: 438(B) was noted on services Y1/1A/8/8A on 11/6/53. On 21/6/53, 835(L) worked the 8.30 pm York-Harrogate turn on '74', while the following day, 125(H) was seen on a Works Special.

Vehicles of the Y814-21/43/44 series have been noted on '43' (Leeds) and '74' (Harrogate) recently. Y844 was on Y3 on 8/7/53 - probably the first appearance of this particular type of vehicle on Askham Lane - Melrosegate, normally operated by Y397 and Y706.

Three Leeds Depot J's, 970/79/92, were noted on '43' on Saturday 27/6/53. 783 worked Y2 (Gale Lane - Bur Dyke Avenue) the same day.

The new Lodokka, M/W 618, now on loan to Harrogate Depot, returned from United on 9/7/53. It appeared on 96 (Wetherby) and 43 (Leeds) on 10/7/53. The following day, M/W 618 commenced a week's duty on Leeds-Bridlington operating the following rota :-

6.30 am	York - Leeds	(43)
7.45 am	Leeds - Bridlington	(44)
11.00 am	Bridlington - Leeds	(44)
3.45 pm	Leeds - Bridlington	(44)
7.00 pm	Bridlington - Leeds	(44)
* 10.15 pm	Leeds - York	(43)

( \* 10.25 pm Saturdays only ).

845 (H on loan to YK) is working the Leeds - Bridlington duty previously operated by M/W 618. On Saturday 25/7/53, some coaches of Tontons Ltd, York - GDN 438 Bedford SB/Duple among them - were on loan to WY and operated York-Scarborough (43).

The through service from York to Blackpool (Saturdays only) operating via '43' to Leeds, and 'J9' to Blackpool, was worked by 448/49 on 1/8/53. 847 was seen on '43' during the August Bank Holiday weekend, but was back on its normal duties on 80(Thirsk) shortly afterwards.

5. OPERATING DETAILS (Contd)DISPOSITION OF COACH FLEET - SATURDAY JULY 4TH

The disposition of the coach fleet on Saturday 4/7/53 was as follows:

7.55 am	Leeds:	- London	250, 654,	
9.30 am	Bradford	- London	249, 670,	(670 to return 10.15 pm ex-London)
9.40 am	Harrogate	- London	252, 660,	
10.00 am	Harrogate	- Harrogate	662,	
10.00 am	London	- Bradford	669,	(To return 9.45 pm ex-London)
10.00 am	London	- Harrogate	251, 677,	

Fawdon service (Newcastle-Coventry)	653, 654,
X192 Scarborough-Liverpool	650,
Skipton - Scarborough	253,
Leeds - Llandudno	656, 657, 659, 676,
Leeds - Glasgow	658,
Leeds - Edinburgh (via Darlington)	652,
Coastal duplication	652,
Yeoman Trades Hall Outing	640-45/61/63-68/72-75, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000,
Harrogate Works for repairs	671,
York - Kircubbin	651,
Leeds - Birmingham duplicate	655,

GIRL GUIDE ASSOCIATION - CORONATION CAMP FIRE

4,000 girl guides attended the Coronation Camp Fire arranged by their County Commissioner, [redacted], and held, at the invitation of the County President, H.R.H. The Princess Royal, in Harwood Park on 23/6/53. The girls all belonged to the Yorkshire West Riding (North East) section, which is comprised of eight divisions :- (1) Airedale; (2) Harrogate & Ripon; (3) Tadcaster & Wetherby (4) Wharfedale; and four divisions from Leeds. They were brought from these areas to the Park in 57 buses, 48 of which belonged to WY. These are listed below:-

125(H), 130(I), 132(L), 134(I), 145(H), 151(L), 154(L), 161(H),  
 170(L), 177(L), 184(L), 189(H), 191(L), 192(L), 193(L), 198(H),  
 218(L), 219(L), 220(L), 254(H), 257(L), 259(SK), 267(L),  
 348(L), 357(L), 361(L),  
 403(L), 411(B), 428(B), 429(B), 430(B), 435(B), 436(B), 439(B),  
 445(H), 448(YK), 450(L), 451(L), 452(L),  
 641(L),  
 737(L),  
 830(L), 837(L), 849(L), 852(L), 857(L),  
 979(L), 992(L),

The other nine vehicles used were :- YWD 482 HD 7308 double decker; MUA 865, MUA 866, and MUA 868 of Lodgards; OUG 652, NUA 885, and NNW 812 of Service Motors; GN 7269 of LoFP; and, FTU 149 of Raytons, Leeds. (Note:- these were NOT on hire to WY).

During its three weeks stay with 'United' - from 17/6/53 to 9/7/53 - the new Lodekka, MWR 618, operated on the following routes :-

DURHAM AREA

1. Bishop Auckland - Darlington.
24. Darlington - West Hartlepool.
- 27/32. Darlington - Caterick Camp.
46. Darlington - Newcastle.

NORTHUMBERLAND AREA

32. Newcastle - Hobburn

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YORKSHIRE AREA

- 102. Court House - Osgodby Hill Top.
- 105. West Pier - Colescliffe Road.
- 107. West Pier - Elvin Drive.
- 109. Sea Front Services.
- 111. Scarborough - Bridlington.
- 114. Scarborough - Hayburn Wyke.
- 116. Eastfield Estate - Newby.

As mentioned earlier in this issue, the Lodekka also spent some time with the Cumberland Motor Services Ltd., being used by them on the undermentioned services :-

- Whitehaven - Carlisle.
- Whitehaven - Kells (town service).

6. SERVICE CHANGES.

SERVICE 14A - BOROUGHBRIDGE - MILBY - BRAFFERTON  
Monday to Friday service discontinued; Saturday service remains.  
Date of effect :- 27/4/53.

SERVICE 78 - BRADFORD - HAWES  
Through service from Leeds introduced with effect from 28/6/53.

SERVICE 81 - YORK - SHERIFF HUTTON - TERRINGTON  
Service curtailed to Sheriff Hutton with effect from 7/3/53.

SERVICE 94 - SHERIFF HUTTON - MALTON  
Service discontinued with effect from 7/3/53.

SERVICE K23 - UTLEY - BRACKEN BANK CRESCENT (Keighley Local Service)  
Saturday service reduced as from 28/3/53.

SERVICE Y13 - YORK - NETHER POPPLETON (York Local Service)  
As from 10/8/53, this service will operate via Poppleton Road, Station Road, Sandy Lane, Nether Poppleton, Riverside, Upper Poppleton, Station Road, and Poppleton Road, back to York. This is now a circular route and serves the Station Road area of Upper Poppleton.

KEIGHLEY - SHIPLEY - HARROGATE (Major change from last year's service)  
No service during September.

BRADFORD - KEIGHLEY - SKIPTON - BURNSALL - PATLEY BRIDGE  
(Major changes from last year's service)  
Does not run during September. Operates on Tuesday and Thursday only of Bradford and Keighley Annual Holiday weeks, instead of daily (except Saturday) during Keighley Parish Feast week in 1952.

SERVICE Y16 - YORK - OSBALDWICK - MURTON (York Local Service)  
New service commenced 1/7/53. Buses start from Rougier Street, York, and follow route Y7 to the Beeswing Hotel, then operate via Millfield Lane and Osbaldwick Lane to Murton.

SKIPTON - SCARBOROUGH  
A through express service commenced on 20/6/53 and operates on Saturdays only until 19/9/53 running via Addingham, Ilkley, Otley, Pool, Harewood, Wetherby, Boston Spa, Tadcaster, York, and Malton.  
LIMITED STOP SERVICES: LEEDS - NEWCASTLE and LEEDS - MIDDLESBROUGH  
The outward journeys on the Leeds-Newcastle service have been speeded up by six minutes; the return journeys by seven minutes. The 8.40 am, 10.40 am, 12.40 pm, and 2.40 pm Middlesbrough-Leeds departures have been retarded by five minutes.  
Effective date for these changes was 17/5/53.

6. SERVICE CHANGES (Contd)

Certain services entering Bradford now operate via Forster Square, Broadway, Town Hall Square, Little Horton Lane, to Chester Street Bus Station, instead of Forster Square, Well Street, Vicar Lane, Croft Street, Manchester Road, Little Horton Lane and Chester Street. This change, which came into effect on 7/6/53, affects Services 30 (Leeds-Bradford); 50 (Otley-Yeondon-Bradford); 51 (Harrogate-Yeondon-Bradford); 54 (Cookridge-Horsforth-Bradford); 58 (Baildon-Bolton Woods-Bradford); 68 (Ben Rhydding-Ikley-Canal Road-Bradford).

8. OTHER INFORMATION.

FARE INCREASE: The applications for increased fares mentioned in Issue 26 were successful, and came into effect as follows:-

- On services operated by the West Yorkshire Road Car Co. Ltd., - SUNDAY, 24/5/53.
- " " " " " Keighley-West Yorkshire Services, Ltd., - SUNDAY, 24/5/53.
- " " " " " York-West Yorkshire Joint Services - SUNDAY, 31/5/53.

RE-SURFACING OF HARROGATE BUS STATION:

Harrogate Bus Station was re-opened on Whit Monday after being closed since 13/4/53 to enable re-surfacing work to be carried out. During that time, not one bus used the Bus Station, departure points being in Station Parade, Station Avenue, Raglan Street, Victoria Avenue, and near the Imperial Cafe. Temporary stands were erected at these points and, other than on the Cornwall Road, Newcastle and Middlesbrough services, buses left those at the same time as they would normally have left the Bus Station.

DISPLAY OF CORONATION YEAR COACHES:

This display, which took place on June 3rd, 4th and 5th, gave members of the travelling public an opportunity of inspecting some of the Company's most up-to-date coaches. As mentioned in our last issue, BUG 2 (a Bristol LS5G semi), OUG 4 (Bristol LS6C luxury coach), and 851 (the Company's own luxury double decker coach), were used, and they were accompanied, on their travels, by 107 - the specially decorated 'Coronation Bus'. All the major depots were visited, together with many other towns and villages situated within the Company's area of operation.

ARTICLES TO READ:

"Bus and Coach" for July contains an illustrated description of 851, the experimental double decker coach. Those members who are especially interested in the design of the Lodocka may like to know that there is an article on this vehicle in the "Commercial Motor" dated 3rd April, 1953.

PUBLICITY TOUR:

S.M.T. B 463, KSC 540 AEC Regal IV chassis no: 9822E1620 Alexander C 38 F, visited 'West Yorkshire' during April of this year. It was noted at Wellington Street Bus Station, Leeds, on 22/4/53, and later left for Bradford.

YEADON DEPOT:

modifications have recently been carried out to the front entrance, and, it is understood, further alterations are to be made to the staff rest room and also to the office.

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22/8/53