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WEST YORKSHIRE P.T.E.

The "Commercial Motor" for June 22nd., included an item headed "Planning starts for two Yorkshire P.T.E.'s". Parts relevant to the West Yorkshire P.T.E. are given below :-

"Moves to form the remaining two Passenger Transport Executives under the Transport Act, 1968 - in West Yorkshire and South Yorkshire - took place this week.

General Manager of Leeds City Transport and General Manager at Sheffield, were appointed the respective designate Director-Generals. Under the Local Government Act, the newly elected Metropolitan County Councils of West and South Yorkshire become P.T.A.'s, responsible for securing the overall integration of public transport in their areas, and for appointing their own P.T.E.'s

told me that he was intending to appoint four Directors to run the West Yorkshire P.T.E. They would be responsible for finance and administration, operations and planning, engineering and development, and personnel, respectively. The posts would initially be advertised within the area covered by the P.T.E.

"Mr. Lord explained that the P.T.E. would have a total strength of nearly 2,500 buses. This will be made up of the following fleets (number of buses in brackets); Leeds, (668); Bradford, (327); Halifax, (88), and Calderdale Joint Omnibus Committee (223); Huddersfield, (220); West Yorkshire Road Car Co., (465); West Riding Automobile Co., (343); and Yorkshire Woollen District, (171). This gives a total of 2,415.

"The National Bus Company - a partner through its A.P.T. subsidiary in the Calderdale J.O.C. - has indicated its intention to withdraw from that scheme on April 1st. next. Negotiations are said to be at an advanced stage concerning the handing over of the fleets of West Yorkshire, West Riding and Yorkshire Woollen to the new P.T.E.

"Both P.T.E.'s would also assume responsibility for British Rail commuter services in their area, together with the stage carriage services of some private operators."

BACK ISSUES.

Our Chairman, is pleased to report that he has now been supplied with copies of the Bulletins for which he appealed last month, and is very grateful to the donor of these, and thanks the other members who offered Bulletins for copying.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

AUTUMN TOUR - Sunday, 30th. September, 1973.

For our Autumn Tour this year we hope to visit Bradford and Huddersfield; the Huddersfield area would include routes taken over from Hebble, and the Bradford area would cover most of the Bradford local routes. We hope to use a double-decker on this Tour, full details of which, together with a booking form, will appear next month; meanwhile, please make a note of the date.

TRANS-PENNINE RUN - Sunday, 5th. August, 1973.

This event will take place as usual, except that the finish will be on The Stray (near Christ Church). As usual, as many MARSHALS and PROGRAMME SELLERS as possible are required, and anyone willing to help is invited to contact - for MARSHALS - or for PROGRAMME SELLERS,

FORTHCOMING EVENTS, (cont.)

H.C.V.C. - YORKSHIRE SECTION. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, August 8th., in the Leeds City Transport Sports & Social Club, Concordia Street, at 7-30 p.m.

P.S.V. CIRCLE. The next Social Meeting will be on Thursday, August 2nd., in the Bradford City Transport Staff Canteen, Forster Square, from 7-00 p.m.

W.Y.I.S. members will be welcome at both the above meetings.

PRESS DAY for the August issue will be on Saturday, 4th. August, and all items should be sent, to arrive on or before that date, to

UNITED AUTOMOBILE ENTHUSIASTS CLUB.

This, a recently formed Society, with the aim of giving a service of Tours, Meetings, a monthly journal, etc. The journal will contain details of forthcoming Tours, Society announcements, Depot transfers and other details of all United vehicles. Membership is 50 p. per annum, and membership forms can be obtained from

1. FLEET CHANGES.

NEW VEHICLES.

1411.	XWY	301 L	Leyland National	?	B52F +22.	8-12-0.
1412.	XWY	302 L	Leyland National	?	B52F +22.	8-12-0.
3961.	XWR	950 L	Bristol VRTSL6G	2/475.	ECW 20099	H39/31FD. 8-15-1.?
3962.	XWR	951 L	Bristol VRTSL6G	2/476.	ECW 20100	H39/31FD. 8-15-1.?

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

Main news this month is the delivery on the 27th. June of the first Leyland National vehicle. for the Company, 1411. It arrived without fleetnames or numbers, but carried West Yorkshire legal ownership panel. It came in all-over red livery, and was stored at Grove Park. The capacity is given inside as 74 (52 seated and 22 standing), and is therefore, the first "standee" type bus operated by West Yorkshire since the War, although no specific area is left clear for standing passengers. 1411 was joined on the 29th. June by 1412. Both were delivered on Cumberland trade plates, by Leyland National drivers.

More mundane is the arrival of 3961/2. 3962 had arrived by the 1st. June, and 3961 by the 11th. June; it will be noted that the body numbers continue from the 1972 batch (3958-60), but otherwise it would seem that 3961/2 are the 1973 order for YVR's. Confirmation of the unladen weight of 3961/2 is requested, please.

The new Plaxton-bodied coaches are 36ft 1-1/16" long, and 10ft. 2 ins. high. By the 21st. June, 1038 had done 10,455 miles.

ALLOCATIONS AND TRANSFERS.

3962.	(New)	to	YORK.	11.6.73.
3961.	(")	"	YORK.	18.6.73.
1155.	from MALTON	"	(Delicensed).	30.6.73.
1219.	" YORK	"	"	"
1221.	" HARROGATE	"	"	"
1222.	" LEEDS	"	"	"
3691.	" YORK	"	"	"
1719.	" BRADFORD	"	"	"
1154.	(Delicensed)	to	MALTON.	1.7.73.
1223.	"	"	HARROGATE.	"
1814/5.	"	"	LEEDS.	"
1753/60.	from YORK	"	BRADFORD.	"
1808/9.	" KEIGHLEY	"	ILKLEY.	"
1902.	" BRADFORD	"	YORK.	"
1924.	" LEEDS	"	YORK.	"
1944/5.	" ILKLEY	"	KEIGHLEY.	"
1411.	(New)		Unallocated.	2.7.73.
1412.	(")		"	4.7.73.

Notes :- 1. All vehicles are relicensed at their former Depots, except 1814 (ex. Bradford), and 1815 (ex. Ilkley).

2. These are the first moves since new for 1815, & 1902/24/44/5.

3. Leyland Nationals 1411/2 are taxed for test purposes only, and will not enter passenger service yet; 1411 is included in the delicensed fleet total at 1/7/73, but 1412 is not included in the fleet total for 1/7/73.

1. FLEET CHANGES, (cont.)

STORED VEHICLES.

HARROGATE. 1085 & 1709 have now joined the vehicles behind Grove Park, whilst 1095 has gone, and is back in service.

YORK. Additions to York field during June have been 1709/15/8, none of which are in Sale livery, whilst inside the Depot are 1219 & 3691.

WITHDRAWALS.

30th. June, 1973 :- 3691/2 & 1719 to Held in Reserve; in addition, 1678 & 1709 have now been transferred to Held for Disposal.

SALES AND DISPOSALS.

7th. May, 1973 :- 4035/6 to W. Kindon & Sons, Ltd., Camwal Road, Starbeck, Harrogate, (breakers - but see also under Sold Stock News).

FLEET TOTAL.

	W.Y.	K.W.Y.	Y.W.Y.	1.7.73.	1.7.72.
Licensed :-	388	52	80.	520	510.
Delicensed :-	10.	-	-	10	26.
	<u>398</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>80.</u>	<u>530</u>	<u>536.</u>

* The Fleet Total excludes 3691/2 & 1719, but includes 1411; it does not include 1412.

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2. VEHICLE NOTES.

OVERHAULS AND HEAVY DOCKS.

June, 1973 :- 1223, 2744, 3729 & 1815.

REPAINTS.

April, 1973 :- 1266.

May, 1973 :- 1336.

June, 1973 :- 1002/95, 1131/3, 1211/31/48/51/73/90, 1315/8/42/52, 2329, 2693, 2827, 1914/20/47.

July, 1973 :- 1282, 1078 & 1344.

PAINT DATES.

1395 - W.5/73.

CERTIFICATE OF FITNESS.

1038 - 25/4/80.

LIVERY CHANGES.

Old Red Livery :- 1248 (TUV ?).

New Red Livery :- 1131/3, 1211/3/51/73/82/90, 1315/8/52, 2329, 2693, 2827 & 1914/20/36/47.

* Dual Purpose Livery :- 1002/95 & 1336/42/4.

National White Livery :- 1078.

1335 is not yet in dual purpose livery, and should be deleted from under this heading and "repaints" in the last Issue. 1815 was already in Poppy Red livery.

The interesting item this month in this section is the repainting in Works of 1095 in the new dual-purpose livery; this may well be the only EUG to receive this livery, and only has a Certificate of Fitness until 17/12/73. The fleetname is carried below the windows, since the beading along the roof precludes it being placed on the roof panels. As a result of repairs, this vehicle now has cream rubber surrounds to the indicator boxes, and the first side bay on each side, the other window surrounds being black.

1002 was the last ERG to receive new dual purpose colours; all RELH's are now in their respective new standard liveries. 1002 received a "double N" plate on the radiator grille on repaint, and 1035 now has one also.

1078, the only new type CUG in new dual-purpose livery, has now been repainted again, this time into all white National livery, with red/blue "National" between the wheel arches. Unlike 1079, there is no red band round the vehicle, and the appearance suffers accordingly.

GENERAL NEWS.

3931 has been fitted with a fare box during June.

1214 shows "To seat 53 passengers" at the rear, instead of 54, whilst 1232, in new livery, shows "Seating Capacity 53".

1716 (L) was fitted with a new engine during June.

1211 (L), with experimental round tail lamps, has now been fitted with a circular reflector at the rear, beneath each tail lamp.

Several other YDX's have now had their rear destination blinds removed, and the glass painted over black.

2. VEHICLE NOTES, (cont.)

ADVERTISEMENT NEWS.

A side advert. carried on 1814 when relicensed after overhaul reads "I'd go anywhere for Golden Guinea" - a French wine.

The "Get the Jackal" side advert. has now finally ceased, and it appears that the "Brown Muff's" side advert. has also finished.

A new lower rear advert. at Otley, seen on five single-deckers so far, is for "Menston Garage", and a further one on 133 (0) is for "Colman".

"Guernsey Toms" is a new side advert. for double-deckers, whilst "Pearl Assurance" has appeared below the offside windows on some saloons (eg. 1374) or on nearside (eg. 1226).

The Wetherby Races target advert. appears to have ended temporarily.

The painted lower rear advert. for "Bramall's" (scrap) at Leeds and Bradford also seems to have ended, since 1751 (B) has recently had it painted out.

3. SERVICE CHANGES.

N. & P. 1104.

The following applications have been made to the Traffic Commissioners :-

STAGE CARRIAGE.

S.241. - New Service. - BRADFORD (Chester St.) - BAILDON (Station Rd.)
via Branch, Shipley, Otley Rd., Browgate, Towngate, Northgate, Jennis Lane, Heygate Lane, Holden Lane, Kirkfields, Station Rd., Returning Browgate, Towngate, Browgate, Cliffe Avenue, Cliffe Lane, Denby Drive, Bertram Drive, Green Lane, Otley Rd., and as Outward.

S.242. - New Service. - BRADFORD (Chester St.) - UPPER BAILDON (Collier Lane/ Springfield Rd.)
via Branch, Shipley, Otley Rd., Green Lane, Bertram Drive, Denby Drive, Cliffe Lane, Cliffe Avenue, Browgate, Towngate, Westgate, Collier Lane, Returning Springfield Rd., Link Rd., The Grove, Towngate, Browgate, Baildon Rd., Otley Rd., and as Outward.

On grant., BW.25/27 (60 Bradford - Shipley Glen) will be surrendered.

S.243. - K.10/11 - KEIGHLEY - SKIPTON: K.18 - KEIGHLEY - DENHOLME; K.12 - HAWORTH - SILSDEN.
To amend timetable.

S.244. - K.26. - KEIGHLEY - STANBURY.

Wednesday-Friday: To re-time the 15.00 Keighley - Stanbury to 14.45, returning at 15.20.

Sundays: To re-time the 12.55 Keighley - Stanbury to 12.45, returning at 13.20.

S.245. - K.3. - BUS STATION - GUARD HOUSE, (Keighley Local).

To revise timetable and route.

S.246. - K.27. - KEIGHLEY - OXENHOPE.

Saturday: To re-time the 21.35 Keighley - Oxenhope to 21.25, returning at 22.00.

Monday-Friday: To re-time the 18.55 Oxenhope to Keighley to 19.00.

S.247. - K.16. - KEIGHLEY - OLDFIELD.

Wednesday & Friday: To re-time the 10.35 Keighley - Oldfield to 10.40; returning at 11.05.

Saturdays: To re-time the 09.50 Keighley - Oldfield to 09.40; returning at 10.05.

S.248. - K.14. - KEIGHLEY - BINGLEY.

To amend timetable and route.

S.249. - K.13A - KEIGHLEY - BARLEY COTE.

Monday-Friday: To re-time the 15.30 Keighley - Barley Cote to 15.15; returning at 15.30.

To re-time the 16.02 Keighley - Barley Cote to 16.10, with an additional journey at 16.25 Barley Cote - Keighley.

Saturdays: To re-time the 10.15 Keighley - Barley Cote to 10.10; returning at 10.25.

To re-time the 12.05 Keighley - Barley Cote to 12.10; returning at 12.25.

S.250. - K.25. - KEIGHLEY - HAINWORTH.

Wednesday-Friday: To re-time the 13.30 Keighley - Hainworth to 13.10; returning at 13.30.

To re-time the 15.25 Keighley - Hainworth to 15.05; returning at 15.25.

To revise route in Keighley.

3. SERVICE CHANGES, (cont.) STAGE CARRIAGE, (cont.)

S.251. - K.9. - KEIGHLEY - COLNE, (Joint with Burnley, Colne & Nelson).
Monday-Friday: To withdraw additional journeys at 18.20 Keighley - Cowling, and the 18.45 Cowling - Keighley.

S.252. - 22. - HARROGATE - OTLEY.
Monday-Saturday: The 07.47 Forest Moor - Harrogate to operate via Birstwith (Broomfield).

S.253. - 58/59. - BRADFORD - BALDON.
To amend timetable and route.

S.254. - 36. - LEEDS - RIPON: 34. - HARROGATE - PATELEY BRIDGE: 25. - HARROGATE - MARKINGTON.
To amend Killingham time-point to read Daleside Nurseries on journeys to Harrogate.

S.255. - 24. - HARROGATE - PATELEY BRIDGE.
To amend Killinghall time-point to be Killingham Church on journeys to Harrogate.

N. & P. 1105.

S.256. - New Licence: BK.43/85. FELL LANE (Prospect Mount) - THWAITES VILLAGE, (Keighley Local).

via (1) Prospect Mount, Fell Lane, Oakworth Road, Victoria Road, Goulbourne St., South St., Bridge St., High St., North St., Cavendish St., Lawkholme Crescent, Cooke St., Cavendish St., Bradford Rd., Dalton Lane & Thwaites Lane - Returning via Thwaites Lane, Parkwood St., Park Lane, Parkwood Rise, Park Lane, Coney Lane, East Parade, Hanover St., Cavendish St., Lawkholme Crescent, Bow St., North St., then Outward route reversed to Fell Lane, Westburn Avenue to Wheathead Drive.

(2) As route (1) above, to Cavendish St., then Hanover St., East Parade, Coney Lane, Park Lane, Parkwood Rise, Park Lane, Parkwood St., Thwaites Lane: Returning via Thwaites Lane, Dalton Lane, Bradford Rd., Cavendish St., then as (1) above.

(3) Clough's Mill & Ingrow School - Fell Lane, Halifax Rd., South St., Ingrow Lane, Queens Rd., Victoria Rd., Fell Lane.

On grant, BK.43/7 (K.4 - Bus Station - Braithwaite) will be surrendered.

S.257. - New Licence: BK.43/86. THWAITES BROW (Quarry) - BRAITHWAITE (Braithwaite Rd.)

via Thwaites Brow Rd., Long Lee Lane, Park Lane, Coney Lane, East Parade, Hanover St., Cavendish St., Lawkholme Crescent, Bow St., North St., High St., West Lane, Braithwaite Avenue, Coronation Avenue, Coronation Mount, Coronation Way, Braithwaite Avenue: return Braithwaite Rd., Whin Knoll Avenue, Highfield Rd., Redcliffe St., Cartmel Rd., Highfield Lane, Drewry Rd., Devonshire St., North St., Cavendish St., Lawkholme Crescent, Cooke St., Cavendish St., Hanover St., East Parade, Coney Lane, Park Lane, Parkwood Rise, Park Lane, Long Lee Lane, Thwaites Brow Rd.

On grant, BK.43/83 (Thwaites - Braithwaite) will be surrendered.

S.258. - New Licence: BK.43/87. FELL LANE (Prospect Mount) - RIDDLESDEN, (Western Avenue) - (Keighley Local).

via (1) Lawkholme Lane :- Prospect Mount, Fell Lane, Oakworth Rd., Victoria Rd., Goulbourne St., South St., Bridge St., High St., North St., Cavendish St., Larkholme Crescent, Cooke St., Cavendish St., Lawkholme Lane, Hard Ings Rd., Bradford Rd., Granby Lane, Granby Drive, Scott Lane, Dunkirk Rise, Western Avenue: Return via Banks Lane, Granby Lane, Bradford Rd., Hard Ings Rd., Lawkholme Lane, Cavendish St., Lawkholme Crescent, Bow St., North St., then as outward route reversed to Fell Lane, then Westburn Avenue & Wheathead Drive.

(2) via Bradford Rd :- As route (1) above, to Cavendish St., Bradford Rd., to Granby Lane, then as route (1).

On grant, BK.43/17 (K.13, KEIGHLEY - RIDDLESDEN) will be surrendered.

S.259. - BK.43/88. - KEIGHLEY (Bus Station) - LAYCOCK (Back Lane).

via Bow St., North St., High St., West Lane, North Dean Rd., North Dean Avenue, Braithwaite Avenue, Laycock Lane: Return to North St., then Cavendish St., Lawkholme Crescent.

On grant, BK.43/38 (K.7, KEIGHLEY - LAYCOCK & K.20, KEIGHLEY - THWAITES BROW) will be surrendered.

3. SERVICE CHANGES, (cont.) STAGE CARRIAGE, (cont.)

S.260. BK.43/89 - KEIGHLEY (Bus Station) - OLDFIELD (Mean Lane).

via Bow St., North St., High St., Oakworth Rd., Keighley Rd., Colne Rd., Goodley, Colne Rd., Windsor Rd., Lcw Bank Lane; Return via Colne Rd., then as Outward route reversed to North St., Cavendish St., Lawkholme Crescent. Journeys extended through to Oldfield - as above to Colne Rd., then Bridge St., Hob Cote Lane, Oldfield Lane to Mean Lane.

On grant, BK.43/84 (Stookbridge - Oldfield) will be surrendered.

S.261. EW.25/263. 72. - ILKLEY - GRASSINGTON.

To amend timetable.

S.262. EW.25/758. HARROGATE CHAUFFEUR SERVICE.

To amend timetable and route.

S.263. BW.25/515. X.35. LEEDS - YEADON AIRPORT.

To amend timetable.

MURGATROYS' TRANSPORT (SUMMER BRIDGE), LTD., recently applied for a DACRE-KNARESBOROUGH Service, to operate on Wednesdays only via Glasshouses, Warsill, Bishop Thornton and Markington, and this application is being opposed by West Yorkshire.

EXCURSIONS & TOURS.

E.145. EW.25/90., From HARROGATE.

To redesignate Tour 28 to read Lofthouse, How Stean & Middlemoor.

To introduce alternative routes on 71 Scarborough, 73 Whitby & 108 Farndale to be via A.61, Ripon, B.6265, A.1, B.6265, Boroughbridge.

On common destinations to link with Excursions & Tours authorised from Knaresborough Bus Station and Ripon Market Square.

On the occasion of the Lord Mayor's Parade in York, on Saturday, June 30th., City Services were affected between 14.00 & 15.00. As far as is known through services were turned short of the City Centre, and did not run through the City, whilst others were parked up. A similar state of affairs occurred at Keighley on June 16th., when Keighley Gala was held.

Further to last month's notes on X.81-86, the Summer Service leaflet for the Keighley - Skegness service continues to show this route as X.81.

A few small corrections need to be made to last month's item on the proposed York service changes:

Service 3 - Huntingdon Road should, of course, be Huntington.

Service 5 - This has a similar route to the present 11A (reversed); the present Y.5 does not touch Hull Road.

Service 12 - should be via Acomb shops, and not to Acomb shops via Acomb Hotel. The exact route is not yet known, however.

Service 21 - should read "...this is similar to the present route 3 ..."; there is no route 21 at present.

Rowntrees - this should have read "...will now have additional connections to Dringhouses (Service 11) and Acomb (Services 11 & 12)". Rowntrees are served at present by Service 12, in addition to Y.11, 10/10A/20/20A, but only as far as Acomb Hotel, which is short of Acomb centre.

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4. OPERATING NOTES.

HARROGATE. Noted on Harrogate - Tadcaster (78) have been 1714 (H) on 30/5; 1702 (H) on 31/5; 1351 (L.loan W) on 31/5; 1720 (H) on 1/6; 1802 (H) on 14/6; 1806 (H) on 15/6; 1803 (H) on 20/6; 1720 (H) on 22/6; 1779 (H) on 26/6. On 20/6, 1342 (H) was on Harrogate - Thorp Arch (W.78). At Grove Park on 12/6 were Ribblesley and Flaxton's ECK 869E & HRN 978G, and also here on 12-14th. June was Eastern Counties Bristol FLP KFW 486E. On 28/6, 1077 (H) was noted on Harrogate - Knaresborough (2).

The following is a Saturday duty for a Harrogate OMO driver - Report 06.40; travel passenger on the 06.50 Service 24 to Pateley Bridge; operate the 07.50 service 24 to Harrogate, arriving 08.42; then the 09.20 Service 28 to Grassington, and connect there with Services X.71/75; operate the 11.30 Grassington - Harrogate as far as Pateley Bridge only, then travel as passenger from Pateley Bridge to Harrogate on the same car. A Pateley Bridge OMO driver operates the car from then on as Pateley Bridge car No.3. 1810 (H) was also on 78 on 28/6.

ILKLEY. 1075 was in Ilkley on Private Hire on 29/6, and 1935 (L) has continued to appear on 33, including 27/6, 29/6, 2/7 & 5/7. Midland Red 180 was in Ilkley on 29/6, on a "Scottish Tour".

4. OPERATING NOTES, (cont.)

LEEDS. Further to the note in Issue 263 concerning 1770 (L) working to Farsley (49), after a Benton Park School Special, this would seem to be a rostered double-deck duty, as 1723 (L) was similarly noted on 7/6. On 6/6, both Learner buses 4026/7 were in Vicar Lane Bus Station, at lunchtime. In the Lord Mayor's Show at Hull, on 2/6, one of the 'floats' in the long procession was a "Status" bus, which was almost certainly 1935 (L), East Yorkshire VR.928 (DKH 928L) was working the 12.05 Leeds-Hull (46) on 29/6. 1093 (L) was on Leeds-Bradford (55) on 21/5. An interesting "two-some" formed the 17.25 departures from Leeds on 34 & 34A on 20/6, with 1069 (O) working to Arthington (34A) and 1001 (L) to Ilkley (34). On 13/6, the 17.25 Leeds-Ilkley (34) was worked by 1341 (L), and 1340 (L) was on 34 on 15/6. On 3/7, 1095 (L), in new dual-purpose livery was on Leeds (34) at 17.20. 1753, officially transferred from York to Bradford on 1/7, was in Leeds on 25/6, working on Otley-Leeds (32M). On 18/6, 1340 (L) was on Leeds-Knaresborough (40), as were 1161 (W.loan L) on 20/6, 1723 (L) on 25/6 & 1341 (L) on 4/7. On 30/6, 1776 (L) was noted on Leeds-Wetherby (40/41), 1093 (L) was noted on 36 on 20/6, and on 26/6, 1697 (B), the oldest vehicle in the main fleet, was on 55A.

OTLEY. 1226 (H.loan O) was on 34 on 11/5, and 1376 (B.loan O) on 34 on 15/5 & 16/5. New SRG's, 1393/4 have appeared regularly during June on 32/33, previously mainly double-deck worked routes.

SKIPTON. Several Keighley vehicles have been on loan to Skipton during May/June, and noted on 34 have been 2280 on 18/5, 2281 on 24/5, 25/5, 30/5, 12/6, 19/6, 21/6, 22/6, 23/6, 25/6 & 29/6, 2293 on 15/5 & 1/6, 2301 on 10/5, 17/5, 18/5 & 23/5, 2328 on 14/5 & 22/5, 2332 on 19/6, 22/6 & 28/6, and 2299 on 28/5.

WETHERBY. Two unusual vehicles in Wetherby on 30/6, and apparently garaging overnight were 1073 (L) & 1770 (L) - 1078 (W) was also present.

YORK. Noted on Leeds-Scarborough (43) have been 3101 (Yk.loan M) on 30/5, 1263 (M) on 10/6; 1287 (Yk.loan M) on 10/6 & 11/6; 1276 (Yk.loan M) on 12/6; 1252 (M) on 18/6; 3106 (Yk.) on 21/6, and 3297 (Yk.loan M) on 22/6. On Leeds-York (43/44) have been 3102 (Yk.) on 1/6; 3104 (Yk.) on 18/6; 1124 (Yk.) on 19/6, and 3101 (Yk.) on 23/6. 1219 (Yk.loan L) was on Leeds-Bridlington (44) on 16/6. On 12/6, 1340 (L) was on Leeds-Hull (46), and on 17/6, 1219 (Yk.) was noted on this route. Noted on York-Wetherby (79) have been 3173 (Yk.) on 15/6; 1761 (Yk.) on 25/6; 3175 (Yk.) on 28/6, & 1760 (Yk.) on 29/6. On 10/6, 2399 (K) was in York on a Private Hire, probably from the East Coast. New vehicle 3962 joined its new sisters on Y.12; none of the 1973 YVR's are used on Y.4/4A/4B or any other fare-sisters, viz. 1902 on Y.9/9A on 9/7 & 1924 on Y.5A on 6/7, with 1902 on Y.12 also on 6/7. On 3/5, 3687 worked the 9A duty to Booklington. On 14/5, 3959 was on 11A showing "Blank", as was 3961 on 29/6, on Y.1; and on 25/6, 3961 was on 10A showing "Service". New RELH 1041 (L) was noted in Hull Road, York, heading for Bridlington on 19/5. Also on 19/5, 3172 or 3173 was on Y.13/13A, normally an RESL duty. On 20/5, an MW was on Y.3 or Y.9A, on CMO duty; a cream SRG worked similar duties on Y.3 on 17/6. 1761 (Yk.) was on Y.9/9A on 23/5. 1153 (M) has been working on 43 and other York duties during June, complete with Harrogate adverts.

LONG DISTANCE.

On 29/5, 1061/7 were both noted in Loughborough on service. New United RELH 6070 was on Leeds-Middlesbrough on 20/6. 1011 (B) now seems to be the regular vehicle on Bradford-Whitby (X.91) on Sundays to Fridays this year, whilst on Saturdays 1338/9 (both B) often appear. On 30/6, 1097 (L) worked on this route, and on 1/7, 1063 (B) deputised for 1011. 1084 (L) is not used much on X.91 this season. On 30/6, United RELH 6070 was noted on Blubberhouses Moor, heading towards Harrogate, showing "X.6/Blank". On hire on 7/7 was Hutchinson's TUP 6E to Bridlington. On 2/6, Leeds City Transport A.E.C. Swifts 1056/69 were on hire to West Yorkshire, to Bridlington, and on the same day, Eddie Brown's VVN 51 J was on hire, working to Hull. On 16/6 an N.B.C. Northern coach in Poppy Red & White livery, No. 2637, was seen in Ilkley, heading for Leeds at 5-15 p.m., on hire to Wallace Arnold.

5. SOLD STOCK NEWS.

OWX.133 (Ex. CUG.16, LS6G, sold Norths, Sherburn, 4/71.)

To Mills, (Contractor), in Sleights area, by 1/72.
Returned to Norths, 5/73, still in cream/green disposal livery.

OWX.182 (Ex. 1638, LD6B, sold Norths, Sherburn, 5/72.)
Exported to unknown buyer in U.S.A., via New York, 3/73.)

OWY.427. (Ex. 2639, LD6B, sold Norths, Sherburn, 2/73.)
Exported to unknown buyer in U.S.A., via New York, 5/73, (probably same purchaser as 1638 above).

5. SOLD STOCK NEWS, (cont.)

MWY 227, (Ex.SUG.16, LS5G, sold Reliance, Sutton-on-the-Forest, 7/70).
Reported as being sold to Bleanch, Hetton-le-Hole, 4/73.

RWV 977/85, (Ex.SMG.52/60, LS5G, sold Norths, Sherburn, 9/71).
To Ezra Laycock, Barnoldswick, 10/71.

To Pennine, Gargrave, 8/72.
To Martin, Dealer, Weaverham, 1/73.
Both scrapped by Martin, 1/73.

KWU 405 D, (Ex.4035, Commer, sold Kindon, Starbeck, 5/73.)

Noted on 27th.June, running in Buslingthorpe Lane, Leeds, still in green/grey livery with fleet number 4035, but with the fleetname removed.

MWY 621, (Ex.CUG.15, LS5G, sold Norths, Sherburn, 5/70.)

To Newbold Green School, Chesterfield.
To Norths, Sherburn, 6/73.
Hired to Sir Alfred MacAlpine in Goole area, 6/73.

6. TEN YEARS AGO.

The July, 1963, Issue ran to 4 pages, and opened with timings for the forthcoming York Tour.

New vehicles entering service consisted of YSMA.7/8, SMG.22-26 & DX.156-9, and vehicles withdrawn were CUG.12 (after an accident), & YSG.124/5/7/8.

The allocation at Scarborough Depot was given; the five vehicles were EUG.85, DEW.25, DX.34/45/113.

Bradford Depot report recorded that DB.22, transferred to Leeds on 1st.June, had been on Ilkley duties on 5th.& 6th.June, then spent almost a week at Bradford on 30th/31st.

At Ilkley, KDB.15 had been on Learner duties, as had SEW.4 at Keighley.

Sold Stock News noted that KDG.53 was seen in a breaker's yard near Chertsey, Surrey, in 2/63.

7. OTHER INFORMATION.

YORK BUS STOPS, etc.. Many York bus routes have recently had stop signs changed for Fare Stage signs; in many cases there is only one ordinary bus stop between each Fare Stage, and sometimes none at all.

It has not previously been reported that at several points in York, old tram rails are in use as kerbs. Two points at which they have been observed are in Skeltongate and Station Road.

YORK CITY TOUR. The Yorkshire Evening Press for May 24th., contained an illustrated article on the York City Tour, which is now in its 22nd. year. The new driver is Mr. Tommy Grayson, who apparently spent hours reading history at York Library, to prepare his commentary, before taking over from Mr. Stan "Digger" Ward, who retired last year.

DEALERS' TRADE PLATES. Additions to the list of dealers/breakers trade plates given from time to time in these pages, are 455 HE, 498 HE & 556 HE, all noted recently in use by a Barnsley breaker.

OTHER FRISTOLS.

FMO 957, an LL6B, which was reported in Issue 226 as running for Peter Devine, Contractor, Ossett, has now been scrapped, the remains having been discovered in P. Babbington's car scrapyards at Middleton, having been there for some time.

REGISTRATION NUMBERS.

OWN 148E is a blue Morris J.4 pick-up, (OWN 148 was SUG.36).
TWT 115 L is a Leyland truck owned by Tilton, Ltd., (TWT 115 was SUG.62).
KWU 361 J is a beige B.M.C. Mini, (KWU 361 was DEW.5.)
FWX 825 J is an Austin 1300, (FWX 825 was DB. 4.)

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