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FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

SPRING TOUR - Sunday, May 18th.

At our meeting on March 29th., it was decided, by a large majority, that our Tour in May should visit Tyneside. Consequently, a Tour has been arranged for the above date, and all members are asked to support the Tour themselves, and also by bringing along their friends, girl-friends or wives.

The Tour has been arranged without visits to any Depots. This is a departure from our previous Tours, where visits have always been made, but there will be time instead, for a walk round Durham, Sunderland, South Shields and Newcastle, together with a ride through the Tyne Tunnel. It was felt that this might be an added attraction for our friends, who might wish to go on the Tour, but who do not share our interest in buses.

The vehicle which we hope to use will be one of Bradford Depot's EUG's, now in their very smart new livery.

Timings for the Tour are as follows : Dep. Bradford (Chester Street), 9-15 am. (Route 59).
" Shipley (Market Square), 9-30 " { " 31).
" Leeds, (Vicar Lane), 10-00 " { " 36).
" Harrogate Bus Station, 10-40 " { " X98).

We shall be leaving Newcastle at approx. 5-45 pm., and hope to be back in Leeds at 9-15 pm., and Bradford at 9-45 pm.

The fare for the Tour will be about £1, half fare 12/6d. Members are asked to fill in the enclosed booking form and send it to [redacted] as soon as possible, to arrive before May 10th. If insufficient support is shown by that date, the Tour will be cancelled. So, please remember, the success of the Tour does not depend on the organizers, it depends on YOU, the members.

If you want a Tour, then please support it!

(E.D.)

HISTORIC COMMERCIAL VEHICLE RALLIES.

The provisional programme for the 1969 season has now been compiled, and appears on the last page, as Section 8 (Vintage Notes).

WEST YORKSHIRE PHOTOGRAPHS.

The second set of these, Set "B", is now available, and covers the older vehicles in the Service Fleet, viz :-

- Canadian Ford Tow Lorry, 1001, outside Roseville Road Garage.
- Leyland TD2 Tow Lorry, K1003, outside Keighley Garage.
- Leyland TD2 Crane Lorry, 1004, outside Grove Park Garage.
- Bristol G05G Crane Lorry, Y1005, outside York Garage.
- Bedford Stores Lorry, 1006, at Harrogate Bus Station.
- Leyland TD2 Tree Lopper, 1008, outside Grove Park Garage.
- Dennis Ace, 1010, outside Grove Park Garage.
- Dennis Ace, 1011, outside Bradford Garage.
- Dennis Ace, 1012, at Myrtle Road, Harrogate.
- Dennis Ace, 1013, at Myrtle Road, Harrogate.
- Dennis Ace, 1014, at Ouse Bridge, York.
- Bedford Van, 1017, at Rougler Street, York.

Remittances of 10/- per set, post free, should be sent to [redacted], stating whether Set "A" or Set "B" (or both!) are required. All members are invited to avail themselves of this opportunity to add some excellent photographs to their collection, as well as helping the finances of the "Service".

LEEDS MEETING - 29th March, 1969.

This was attended by 23 members (a disappointingly low number), and commenced with the usual business discussion. [redacted] reported that the membership situation was very favourable; although 8 members had not renewed their subscriptions, we already had 4 new ones, and our current membership now stands at 95.

A fairly lengthy discussion then took place about the Spring Tour, and after a vote, it was decided to visit Tyneside. Full details of this Tour appear above, and we make our customary plea for support for what promises to be an interesting excursion, and one which will interest all the family.

Leeds Meeting, 29.3.69. (cont.)

Business over, we then settled down to a fascinating tour of Cyprus, given by [redacted], and we were delighted to see again such old friends as SP.1,900,953 & 986, now however, in very different surroundings. Leaving Cyprus, we visited Staffordshire and London, as well as more local districts, and we also saw several views taken during the last months of steam on British Railways. We then revisited Brighton with [redacted], and followed the 1968 London to Brighton run of Historic Commercial Vehicles. It is regrettable that more members were not able to bring slides for us to enjoy, but we are most grateful to the two who did.

Once again, our grateful thanks are due to the Company, who so kindly made arrangements for the Cafe to be available for us after normal hours. = = = = =

PRESS DAY for the May issue will be Saturday, 4th May, and all items should be sent, to arrive on or before that date, to [redacted] at the afore-mentioned address. = = = = =

1. FLEET CHANGES.

New Vehicle.

YVR.28. XYG 583 G. Bristol VRTS16G. 150 ECW 17300 H39/31FD. 8-10-2.

Renumbering.

1st. February, 1969 - CUG 13/14 to EUG.93/94; EUG.70 to SUG.69.

Additional Information.

YVR.28 was delivered during February, and stored at Grove Park.

With regard to the 1969 orders published in Issue 214, it is understood that at least two LH6P chassis (Nos.229/30) have been built for West Yorkshire. This model has a Perkins P6 engine, as fitted in SMP.17, so we may yet see a proper SMP Class!

The unladen weight of SMG.18 is now 7-9-0; SRG.7 is 7-17-1; SRG.24 is 7-11-1, whilst DAW.8 is 8-6-7, instead of 7-6-3!

The chassis number of Land Rover 1029 is 28600315 B. We still need chassis numbers for 1026/7/35/6.

Allocations and Transfers.

	(delicensed)	to		
SUG.33.		BRADFORD		7,3.69.
EUG.90 (ex.CUG.6)	"	BRADFORD	"	"
DGW.1/8.	"	BRADFORD	"	"
DGW.12.	"	OTLEY	"	"
DX.20.	"	HARROGATE	"	"
DX.26.	from HARROGATE	LEEDS	"	"
SUG.73.	" LEEDS	(delicensed).		31.3.69.
EUG.79.	" LEEDS	"	"	"
ERG.3.	" LEEDS	"	"	"
ERG.5.	" BRADFORD	"	"	"
CUG.37.	" HARROGATE	"	"	"
CRG.1/2.	" HARROGATE	"	"	"
CRG.3.	" KEIGHLEY	"	"	"
YDB.90.	" YORK	"	"	"
DX.109.	" BRADFORD	"	"	"
EUG.91/2/3 (ex.CUG.10/1/3) (delicensed)		BRADFORD		1.4.69.
EUG.95 (ex.CUG.20).	"	HARROGATE	"	"
ERG.1/6.	"	LEEDS	"	"
ERG.7/8/10.	"	HARROGATE	"	"
ERG.9/11.	"	BRADFORD	"	"
CUG.8/21/6/36/43.	"	LEEDS	"	"
CUG.24.	"	YORK	"	"
CUG.25/47/8.	"	HARROGATE	"	"
CUG.28/30/2/4/40/1.	"	BRADFORD	"	"
CUG.31.	"	ILKLEY	"	"
CUG.33.	"	KEIGHLEY	"	"
CRG.6/7.	"	BRADFORD	"	"
CRG.8/9.	"	LEEDS	"	"
DX.78.	"	LEEDS	"	"
DX.182.	"	BRADFORD	"	"
YVR.28.	(new)	YORK	"	"
CRG.10.	from HARROGATE	KEIGHLEY	"	"

- Notes.
1. All vehicles are relicensed at their former Depots, except EUG.95 (ex.York as CUG.20), ERG.7 (ex.Keighley), ERG.8/9 (ex.Leeds), CUG.24 (ex.Harrogate) and DX.78 (ex.Otley).
 2. This month sees the first move since new for CRG.10.
 3. KSW's make a welcome reappearance in service after an absence of only 6 days!
 4. YDB.90 is the first of the York KS6B's to be withdrawn, and had given continuous service since new on 1/2/52, apart from one month in 1960. It is understood that the YDG/YDB batches are to be withdrawn, according to condition, and not age.
 5. YDG.87/90, withdrawn last month, were the last two rebuilt K5G's to enter service in 1956.

Stored Vehicles.

BRADFORD. DGW.10 was moved from here to York on April 3rd., on Trade Plates 089 C.
HARROGATE. SRG.1 is still parked on the forecourt at Grove Park, whilst SEW.21 is behind the Depot.
LEEDS. DBW.5, DGW.4/5/7 are still stored outside Roseville Road, whilst DX.177 and EUG.78 are inside.
PATELEY BRIDGE. CUG.47/8 were taken from here to Harrogate on the 27th. March, leaving CUG.46 stored here.
YORK. Now stored here are DGW.3/6/9/10, DBW.21/9, KDB.54/6, YDB.90, YDG.84/7/8/90/2, SEW.19/30, SUG.14/5, SMG.8/9/10/40/59 (outside), and SMG.7/12/39, SEW.20 and SMG.35 are inside. SUG.14 has now lost its boot doors completely, and the withdrawn vehicles have labels tied to the steering column, saying "Please return tyres to ---- Depot", depending on which Depot they were from, and the type of tyre fitted. This is due to the new tyre regulations, preventing the use of slave tyres.

Withdrawals.

31st. March, 1969 : YDB.90.

Sales and Disposals.

20th. March, 1969 : SUG.27 to Reliance Motor Services, Crayke, Yorkshire,

Fleet Total.

	C	SD	DD	1.4.69.	1.4.68.
Licensed :	32	202	292	526	560
Delicensed :	16	24	16	56	18
	48	226	308	582	578

* The Fleet total excludes YDB.90, but includes VR.24, YVR.33, LH.4/5/6/7 & KLH.9/10. This completes the 1968 order for new vehicles.

Temporary Loans.

As from the 7th. March, VR's were restricted to peak hour operation only, for an indefinite period, and Sunday operation of these banned altogether. This is the reason for the licensing of additional vehicles from the 7th. March. However, besides those permanent allocations recorded above, several temporary loans took place. Some of those noted have been :-

- DX.53 from Harrogate to Otley, by 12th. March.
- DX. 8 from Otley to Leeds, by 12th. March, to 24th. March, at least.
- DX.184 from Bradford to Otley by 18th. March.
- DX. 32 from Harrogate to Leeds by 26th. March, to 3rd. April, at least.
- SUG.26 from Bradford to Leeds by 26th. March.
- DX. 81 from Bradford to Otley by 2nd. April.

Some of these loans were only of short duration, but others lasted for a week or more. DX.32, indeed, even managed to gain a set of Leeds blinds at front and rear!

2. VEHICLE NOTES.

Overhauls.

February, 1969 : YDX.192.
 March, 1969 : DX.78; Yorkshire Traction 312.
 April, 1969 : DX.178, YDX.193, SMG.20; Yorkshire Traction 227, 612.

Depot Repaints.

January, 1969 : EUG.92-95 & SUG.69/70.
 March, 1969 : SUG.28 (Sale livery); CUG.29/31; SUG.69; YDX.84/5; KDB.54/6 (Sale livery); YDG.84/7/8/90/2 (Sale livery); SMG.39/40 (Sale livery); & DGW.10 (Sale livery).

Paint Dates.

LH.1-3/8-W.Poly 2/69; LH.4-7-W.Poly 3/69; VR.24-H 3/69; YVR.28/34-H.2/69; YVR.33-H.3/69; CUG.29-Du.4/61; ERG.10-W.6/66; & SRG.2-K.9/64.

GENERAL NEWS.

DX.176 had its Cave Browne Cave heating removed, and conventional radiator and Clayton equipment substituted on recent overhaul.

SMG.25 has been noted with "life-guards" fitted - i.e. strips of wood below the inspection flaps, between the front and rear wheels. As far as is known, no other vehicles of this type are so fitted.

SUG.69 has been re-upholstered in the new type coach moquette, but still retains a cream express blind.

DX.32/53, SMG.43, & SUG.69 now carry their fleet numbers in four places.

SMG.43 carried its fleetnames on the waistband; SMG.45 did not, and lost its nearside name on receiving an advert. below the windows.

DX.78 received a "Darvic" panel on the staircase on overhaul, leaving only one Bristol double-decker still to be so treated.

YVR.28/33/34 are further vehicles without hyphens in their fleetnames. In addition, YDG.89 returned from recent overhaul with "York West-Yorkshire" on both sides, and YDB.86 also has this, but only on the nearside.

YDX.192 had its Cave Browne Cave heating removed on overhaul, the first YDX to be so treated.

Arrive
1663. 32
To advance
Village

2. Vehicle Notes. (cont.) General Notes.

The YVR's are fitted with sun visors, and it is understood that the York DEW's (3/9/12/33/34) that were fitted with flashers for working over the A.1 to Wetherby were also fitted with sun visors at the same time.

DX.6/15 (L) have now been fitted with one-piece radiator grilles.

SUG.71/3 (L) have now been fitted with combined stage/express blinds in black/white, which carry the principal express destinations, along with most of the stage carriage ones.

The new EUG's, 90-95, have been repainted, and are now all cream, with one red band, which goes right round the vehicle, including the front. They have been re-upholstered in the new style coach moquette, but are structurally unaltered, and retain coach blinds and (EUG.90-92 at least) outward opening doors. The appearance of the new livery is very smart. The fleet names are carried on the waistband, though it is to be hoped that these vehicles are not to have their appearance ruined by advertisements below the windows, as with some SRG's and SMG's!

Advertisement Notes.

The survey on the last page of this issue completes the review of advertisements carried on York, Malton and Scarborough vehicles.

VR.20, (0) now has a painted target advert for K.A. Marsh, Arndale Centre, Shipley.

Vehicles carrying "Littlewoods" side adverts have recently had them replaced by one which shows "Littlewoods, the World's largest" in what appears to be luminous printing.

Several Leeds vehicles now carry new side adverts of a colourful nature, saying "Give flowers and plants, the perfect gift".

DAW.6/5 (both 0) received, during March, new painted adverts at the lower rear for "G. Eric Hunt, Bramhope", suggesting a reasonable future for these vehicles.

Last month's note about adverts being fitted below the windows on some Harrogate SRG's should have read that they were posted on (not painted), as they are paper adverts. Several other Harrogate SRG/SMG's now carry these adverts for Maple, Denby & Spinks.

3. SERVICE CHANGES.

Stage Carriage.

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

S.651. 83.- York - Sheriff Hutton.

To operate the 17.50 ex. York & 18.40 ex. Foston direct on A.64 instead of via Stockton Bar Lane.

S.652. 57.- Bradford - Keighley.

On Monday-Saturday, to amend the departure of the 7.55 & 8.15 Bradford - Denholme to 7.50 & 8.10. (This appears in the new timetable).

S.653. 75.- Otley - Weston Circular.

On Sundays to operate an additional journey from Otley at 09.07. (This appears in the new timetable.)

S.654. 79A.- York - Wetherby.

On Monday-Friday to amend the 16.25 York to Tockwith to 16.15. (This also appears in the new timetable.)

S.655. Y.10 - Bishopthorpe - Wigginton (York Local).

To extend the 07.35 Railway Station to Haxby through to Wigginton (Pond), and omit the deviation via Calf Close; to commence the 08.05 Haxby to Bishopthorpe from Wigginton at 07.59; and to introduce an additional journey from the Railway Station to Haxby via Calf Close at 07.40.

S.656. 50. - Bradford - Westfield.

To start the 08.20 Westfield to Bradford from White Cross at 08.15, and operate via Leeds Road to Kirk Lane Bottom, then normal route.

S.657. 61.- Bradford - Baildon.

To withdraw the short journeys between Shipley and Knoll Estate, leaving Shipley at 16.45, 17.05, 17.25, 17.45 & 18.05, returning at 16.51, 17.11, 17.31, 17.51 & 18.11.

S.658. 6A. - Bus Station - Rossett Green. (Harrogate Local).

To advance the 07.40 ex. Bus Station to 07.35.

S.659. 7. - Cornwall Road - Burn Bridge. (Harrogate Local).

To advance the 07.52 Rossett Green to Burn Bridge, and the 08.00 Burn Bridge to Cornwall Road to 07.47 and 07.55 respectively.

S.660. 76. - Skipton - Tadcaster.

On Monday-Friday during School terms, to re-route the 12.55 Tadcaster-Skipton in Skipton to be via Otley Road, Brougham Street, Westmorland Street & Sackville Street.

S.661. 75A. - Otley - Newall Circular.

On Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday to operate additional journeys at 19.25 Otley - County Hospital and 19.32 County Hospital - Otley.

S.662. 35/35B.- Leeds - Otley.

On Monday-Friday to operate additional journeys at 16.54 Otley to Rawdon, and 17.15 Leeds to Shaw Estate.

Service Changes - Stage Carriage. (cont.)

S.663. 32/32M. - Leeds-Otley.

To advance the 06.56 Otley to Leeds to 06.50, and re-route the journey via Menston Village.

S.664. 55. - Leeds-Bradford.

On Monday-Friday to introduce additional journeys at 08.04 Rawdon to Leeds and 08.15 Leeds to Horsforth Colleges, and to re-route the Bradford-Leeds journeys through Yeadon via Haworth Lane, Silver Lane and Ivegate, and Leeds-Bradford journeys via West Hill, Haworth Lane and Queensway.

4. OPERATING DETAILS.

DEPOT REPORTS.

BRADFORD. During the demolition of the railway bridge in Henshaw Lane, Yeadon, on Sunday, 2nd March, the Bradford-Yeadon (Westfield) service (50) worked as follows :- ordinary 50 service to Yeadon Town Hall, then Ivegate, to the top of Henshaw Lane, right turn down Kirk Lane to Ives' Mill, and parked until time for departure. Then from Ives' Mill to Kirk Lane and New Scarborough, left turn past Westfield to the bottom of Henshaw Lane, behind the Woolpack Inn, right turn to the bottom of Henshaw Lane, right turn to New Scarborough, right turn up Kirk Lane to the top of Henshaw Lane, and the normal route along Harper Lane.

During the last week in March, DGW.8 worked on Bradford-Harrogate, (53), a very rare appearance. On 13th March, an unusual visitor on the 20.50 Bradford-Keighley (57) was KSGL.21, which was on a Bradford Depot OMO SRG timing, having replaced the SRG at Keighley. SUG.70 (B) worked the 08.20 Brown Cow Inn-Bradford (56 dup.), which is now a-days worked normally by DX, however DGW.1 worked this journey on 24th March. Though the VR's are confined normally to routes 58-61/67, VR.13 was seen on 3rd April on Bradford-Denholme (56) at tea-time. Also on 3rd April, CUG.30 duplicated the 13.55 Scarborough (43). Services 68/68A Bradford-Eldwick-Dick Hudsons, joint with Bradford Corporation, were previously operated by B.C.T. Saitaire Depot, and West Yorkshire Keighley Depot, with Bradford Depot working duplicates and a car on Monday-Friday tea-times working mainly between Bingley and Gilstead. During March, however, Bradford Depot has taken over one of the all-day cars previously operated by Keighley Depot.

HARROGATE.

DAW.1-4 are used on Services 1/2/9/11/12, and have also been seen on St. George's Road (3), but not on the other 'decker-worked' Locals. Services 3/4/8/10/13/16. The reference last month to United's 2179 on Harrogate-Otley is explained by the fact that the 17.00 journey to Otley via Ripton (53) is worked by the car which works the 09.00 Leeds-Middlesborough (X99), 12.20 Middlesborough-Leeds (X99) & 15.45 Leeds-Harrogate (36 dup.). U.A.S.2179 therefore, probably replaced a West Yorkshire car between Ripon and Middlesborough. On 6th March, SRG.35 (H) & EUG.76/9 (both L) were all noted on 36 between 14.00 and 16.00. On 17th March, EUG.80 (Yk) worked 12.35 York-Harrogate (84), 13.50 Bus Station-Woodfield (4) and return, and 14.10 Harrogate-Scarborough (84). A most unusual vehicle on 18.32 Leeds-Harrogate (36) on 28th March was CFL, whilst on 1st April, SPG.55 worked a lunchtime I.C.I. journey.

KEIGHLEY.

During March, KSGL.20/21 have been noted on various occasions on Keighley-Leeds (31 dup.) Keighley Depot are not yet operating OMO on route 57, KDX's being most common, though a two-man operated SRG or KSRG occasionally appears.

LEEDS.

On 10th March, DX.97 and KDX.227 were noted at about 17.50, both heading for Keighley (31), a few minutes apart. VR.18 was noted on Leeds-Farsley (49) on the 24th March. Since the beginning of March, United have used semi-coaches on several occasions on Leeds-Ripon (36). On 5th & 6th March, 1119, on 7th March, 1123, both MW66/DP39F, were used, but on 21st March an unusual vehicle was LS6B/DP39F, 2315. This may have been the first time an LS6B has worked into Leeds on stage carriage. Another unusual vehicle on the 12.15 Leeds-Otley (35B) on 12th March was SMG.25, whilst SRG.25 (B) was on Leeds-Bradford (55) at 12.36 the same day. On 12th March, at 14.20, Crosville RELH6G, CRG.28 (OFM28E) was noted on a private hire, travelling up Westgate, Leeds. Although at other depots the new double-deckers are at the moment banned from full-day service, they are still seen quite often in service at lunchtime in Leeds. On 14th March VR.17 was on Leeds-Otley (32); on 18th March VR.23 was on Leeds-Otley (35B); on 21st March, VR.16 was on Leeds-Barwick (48A); on 26th March, VR.10 was on Leeds-Aberford (48); and on 28th March, VR.16 was on Leeds-Otley (32), all these notes being taken at lunchtime. In addition, one often works the 13.05 Leeds-Otley (34 extra). On 17th March, the four Leeds VR's were accounted for as follows: VR.16 Garage to 13.05 Leeds-Otley; VR.17 at Vicar Lane, showing "Leeds/32A"; VR.18 in garage; VR.23 on Leeds-Otley (35B). An unusual vehicle on Leeds-Knaresborough (38) on 19th March was SUG.71 (L), whilst DX.184 (B.loan ?) was working on 32A/32M at lunchtime the same day. EUG.76 worked the 13.00 Leeds-Wetherby (39) on 21st March, and EUG.89 worked on 38A/42 on 24th March. Standing spare in Vicar Lane on 26th March was DGW.11 (0), a vehicle not often seen in Leeds; but on 28th March, it worked the 12.25 Leeds-Ilkley (32A). SUG.26 (B) worked the 13.00 Leeds-Wetherby (39) on the 26th March. On 28th March, DAW.7 (0) was used by a Leeds crew, probably as a changeover

4. Operating Details - Leeds. (cont.)

For DX.209 (L) on Leeds-Ilkley (34). On 24th.March,EUG.89 worked a journey on Leeds-Red Hall Lane (38A) during the morning peak,whilst ERG.5 was working a Benton Park School Special the same day. On 25th.March,DX.6 was on Leeds-Tadcaster (42). Noted on Leeds-Scarborough (43) on 1st.2nd.and 4th.March was SRG.64 (L.loan Sc),whilst on the Leeds-York portion on 1st.April was SMG.58 (L) on the 07.35 ex.Leeds, a turn usually EUG worked. On Leeds-Bridlington (44) on 8th.March,was SMG.27 (L). Leeds Depot VR's began regular workings on the 06.25 Leeds-Ilkley (32A) and return journey at 07.30, whilst at Otley VR,usually works the 07.55 Leeds-Ilkley (32A),all since the week commencing 10th.March. Also since 10th.March,a Leeds VR has usually worked the 15.35,17.35, 19.35 & 21.35 Leeds-Ilkley (34),and return journeys.

SCARBOROUGH.

These members visiting Scarborough this summer may be interested to know that although there are now no United K6B/KS6B double-deckers still running,an early Lodekka,103 (WHN.103) is allocated here,and has recently been docked. It is now resplendent in the new paintwork,and carries a black painted old type (long) radiator grille. Black grilles are not normally carried by United vehicles either,but judging by 103,black grilles would be a great improvement on the West Yorkshire DX class! Two very unusual visitors here on Easter Monday were YVR.29 and KSRG.61! This was probably the first time a VR has reached here,and no doubt the same goes for the KSRG.

WETHERBY.

DX.60 (H.loan W) replaced SRG.16 on 7/ for a time early in March,but by the end of the month,SRG.16 had returned. On 8th.March,DX.58 (H.loan O) and 31st.March, ERG.51 (H.loan Sk) were on Tadcaster-Skipton (76).

YORK.

YVR.28 did not enter service until the 2nd.April,when it was on Y.2. On 1st.March,DX.158 was on York-Wetherby (79),DX.37 on Y.9/9A,DX.57 on Y.13/13A, SUG.72 on Y.5,SMG.48 on 82 (York-Sheriff Hutten) and on Y.10;SMA.13 on Y.7, and an SML on Y.27. On its first (and at the moment only) day in service YVR.27 was on Y.10; two YVR's were on Y.2, and three on Y.10,DX.156/210 were both on York-Harrogate on 24th.Feb. On 4th.March,SMG.50 was on Y.2,SRG.64 (L.loan M.or Sc) was on 43,and EUG.84 (H) was on Harrogate-Scarborough (84),on the 14.00 York-Harrogate,YVR.32 is believed to have broken new ground on 21st.March,when it worked the 12.33 Rowntrees-South Bank or Beckfield Lane (Works Special), Ampleforth College closed for end of term on 26th.March,and the following vehicles were noted on the Helmsley Road at 08.15;SUG.70 (B);SRG.67 (M);SUG.72 (Yk); ERG.5 (B);CRG.3 (K)/10 (H) & one other;CUG.9 (B)/15 (K)/16 (H)/19 (L)/37 (H);EUG.86 (Yk); EUG.90 (ex.CUG.6)(B). Of these at least CUG.9/19,SUG.70 & EUG.90 stayed overnight in York Depot,and were driven by York drivers,whilst most of the rest came over early on 28th.March with other depot drivers. On 7th.March,SMG.61 worked from Wellington Street to Vicar Lane at 21.50,and then returned to York on 43. This vehicle is not often seen in Leeds. On Leeds-Scarborough (43) on 1st.March was YSMA.10 (York loan Sc); on 4th. March SMG.14 (M),and on 19th.March SMG.41 (Yk) on the Leeds-York portion on 30th.March was SEW.22 (Yk). SMG.14 (M.loan Yk) worked on York-Tadcaster (87) on 20th.March. Noted on York local services have been - Y.4 - DX.114 (26th.March);Y.12 - SMG.49 (26th.March); Y.13 - SMG.61. (26th.March);Y.14 - SEW.25 (26th.March);Y.20 - DX.114 (4th.March).

LONG DISTANCE.

On 24th.March,an interesting vehicle on the London service via the Motorway, was EUG.90 (ex.CUG.6)(B),which was noted passing Toddington Services. The break on the Motorway Service to London is taken at Leicester Forest Services.

5. SOLD STOCK NEWS.

KGU.263.(Leyland 7RT,sold P.V.S.,Canvey Island, 3/68).

The enthusiast owner of this vehicle, referred to last month, is Mr.E.Brackell, of Cheam, who already owns several ex.L.T.E.vehicles.

GVA.289.(Leyland PSU1/9, sold by Ledgard to H.Lindley (Contractor, Queensbury, 2/67). Recently advertised for sale in the "Yorkshire Post" and "Yorkshire Evening Post", as ".....with M.O.T.Test Certificate; suitable for Works bus."

JWY.225.(ex.DBW.2,Bristol KSW6B, sold Norths,Sherburn, 4/68).

To Partridge,Hadleigh,Suffolk, 3/69, for use on a Works Contract.

JYG.733.(ex.SEW.18,Bristol LWL6B, sold Norths,Sherburn, 1/67).

To Smith,Amble, 2/67.

To Norths, Sherburn, 1/69.

JYG.748/40.(ex.SEW.5/11,Bristol LWL6B, sold Norths,Sherburn, 12/63).

To Mitchell,Luthermuir,Montrrose, -/64.

To Alexander (Northern), No.NE.3/2, 10/67.

To Hill,(dealer),Comrie, 2/69.

KWU.366.(ex.DBW.10,Bristol KSW6B, sold Norths,Sherburn, 1/67).

To Perwent,Swalwell, 2/67.

Withdrawn, 11/68.

JYG.747.(ex.SEW.2,Bristol LWL6B, sold Norths,Sherburn, 11/63).

Regarding the note in Issue 216 concerning this vehicle,it is understood that it went to Twell,Ingham,Scampton,by 1/67.

LWK.418.(ex.DBW.32,Bristol KSW6B, sold Norths,Sherburn, 11/68).

The new owner of this vehicle is Webster,Shipley, who has been running it as a non-P.S.V..since 2/69.

Sold Stock Notes. (cont.)

CK.415.(Leyland PDLA, sold Norths, Sherburn, 1/68).

To Derwent, Swalwell, 1/68.

Sold, 2/69.

PDV.726.(A.E.C.Regent III, sold H.& C.,Garston, 1/68).

To Cowley (Dealer),Dunchurch, 12/68.

KWU.369.(ex.DBW.13,Bristol KSW6B, sold Norths, Sherburn, 4/68).

Noted in Whitley Bridge on 5th.March, travelling on the A.19 towards Doncaster.

This may be the DBW.that is reported as on hire to Costain at Drax Power Station.

EW.T.767.(ex.972,Bristol J05G).

Sold Seeley (Showman),Hayes, Middlesex, 8/52).

No longer owned by Seeley, and must be presumed scrapped (by 4/69).

Top Deck. Although the top deck which was in a field at Coulton, North Yorkshire, had been broken up in situ by 10/68, (see Issue 212), a further similar top deck has recently been discovered, intact, in a field about a 1/4-mile from the site of the other. As there was much scrap, framing, panels, etc., lying around the site of the original, it is thought most unlikely that this newly discovered top deck could be the original one moved, despite the close proximity of locations. The latest top deck was first seen on the 4th April.

JYG.724.(ex.SGW.9,Bristol LWL5G, sold Reliance, York, 6/66).

Although this vehicle was evidently due for withdrawal, having been replaced by SUG.27 (see below), it is believed to have been granted a reprieve, due to the failure of S.W.29, which resulted in the latter being withdrawn instead.

JYG.728.(ex.SGW.11,Bristol LWL5G, sold Reliance, York, 6/66).

Withdrawn and scrapped by Reliance, 7/68 (see Issue 208). The entire cab, engine and radiator, are still more-or-less intact at the side of the Reliance Depot, 4/69.

The rest of the chassis and body have now been disposed of completely.

KWU.389.(ex.S.W.29,Bristol LWL6B, sold Reliance, Crayke, 5/68).

Withdrawn 3/69, and parked at the side of Reliance's Garage, 4/69.

OWX.139.(ex.SUG.27,Bristol LS5G, sold Reliance, Crayke, 3/69).

Noted undergoing complete interior and exterior repaint at Reliance's garage, 4/4/69, prior to entering service.

UUA.791.(A.E.C.Reliance, sold Edwards, Horsforth, 3/68).

Still with "Independent Coachways", and noted in Scarborough on Easter Monday.

6. TEN YEARS AGO.

The April, 1959 issue ran to 5 pages, and reported that EUG.13-55 had been renumbered SUG.13-55. SUG.25 had been adapted for QMO, and there were 7 such vehicles fitted. DX.48 had been fitted with a Gardner 6LX engine, which it still retains, in place of a Bristol AVW.

Veteran TD2 Towing vehicle, K.1003, had been withdrawn, being replaced by J05G, 1020, which had been transferred from Leeds.

Keighley Depot gave details of the workings of new Services K.2/3/4.

Service changes reported that the Bradford-Keighley-Skipton-Pateley Bridge service was to be withdrawn on Sundays during June.

Sold Stock News noted that SG.70 had been seen in Doncaster, whilst SG.16 was with R.I.Davies, Tredegar. DG.2/5 were believed to be numbered LK.28/9 with Eastern Counties.

Yeadon Depot was due to be closed on the 4th April, 1959, whilst the Yeadon Air Display was to be revived, not having been held since 1956.

7. OTHER INFORMATION.

EASTER TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS. Revised services were operated on Good Friday, Easter Monday and Tuesday. Leaflets were issued dealing with the alterations; however, a departure was that separate leaflets were issued for each of the Bradford, Harrogate, Keighley, Leeds and York areas.

LOW RAILWAY BRIDGE. The low railway bridge on the outskirts of Skipton, on the Skipton-Addingham road, which had a low headroom of 13'-9", is now having the road lowered under it. V.R.'s are at present unable to regularly pass under this bridge, though frequently doing so, as there is only a matter of an inch or so clearance, insufficient for safety.

REGISTRATION NUMBERS. A Volkswagen car, privately owned, has recently appeared in Leeds carrying the (probably incorrect) registration number "WU 2654". Although this was not a West Yorkshire vehicle's registration number, the Company had a number of early TSM's, etc., registered in the "WU" series, which was current in 1925!!

RAILWAY BRIDGES. The railway bridges crossing the Leeds-Wetherby road at Bardsey, which was only just high enough for highbridge vehicles, and the bridge over Church Lane, Bardsey, have now been removed, and the main road widened. A little further down the line, the stone bridge near East Keawick, with only 12-ft. headroom, is still up, and double deckers are therefore still physically unable to work on Services 39/39A.

HARROGATE BLINDS

DAW 1 - 4, on transfer to Harrogate, were fitted with the following new blinds:
Bus Station 1; Bachelor Gardens 1; Woodlands 2; Bachelor Gardens 2; Bus Station 9;
New Park 9 Oatlands; Knaresborough 16; Bus Station 11; Cawthorne Avenue 11; Bilton
11A; Starbeck 12; Bus Station 12; Bilton 12A Cawthorne Avenue.

CERTIFICATES OF FITNESS

SBW 21 - 17/9/68; SMG 43 - 17/5/69; SMG 45 - 24/5/69; SUG 69 - 22/9/69;
ERG 10 - 14/6/73; CUG 29 - 2/5/73; CUG 31 - 20/6/73; DX 12 - 19/7/70; DX 65 - 30/7/73;
DX 212 - 8/3/73; YVR 28 - 25/2/76. DX 23 carries a plate but no date. None of
LH 1-8, VR 24, YVR 33/34 yet carry a C of F plate.

ADVERTISEMENT NOTES.

The following survey of WY vehicles at York, Malton and Scarborough, completes the review of adverts carried by vehicles allocated to those depots, which commenced in Issue 215. As before, each advert has been given a number:-
1=Army & Navy Stores; 2=Bentley's Bitter; 3=Bradley (Builder); 4=Brindley's Beer;
5=Car Radio Services; 6=Challis (Nurseries); 7=Citra; 8=Express Service, Blackpool;
9=Ferry Traders; 10=Forselius (Garage); 11=Fox's Biscuits; 12=Kaiser Jewellers;
13=Leedhams; 14=Littlewoods; 15=Motorway Service; 16=North East Elec. Board;
17=Newitts Sports Goods; 18=Rose & Co; 19=Roses Ales; 20=Sands School of Motoring;
21=Sundella; 22=Tetley Bitter; 23=Unwins; 24=Walker's Bitter; 25=Wilkinson's Garage,
Easingwold; 26=York Carpet Bureau. Notes:- 1. Newitt's adverts are now also carried
on YDG 82/5/6/9/91 (rear lower); 2. The N.E.E.B. adverts change each month. *SRG 76
carries no.25 below the waist on the N/S, no.13 above the windows on the O/S, and
no. 15 below the waist on the O/S.

Fleet No.	N/S	O/S	Lower Rear	Waist	Target	Fleet No.	N/S	O/S	Lower Rear	Waist	Target
SBW 22	16	16	17	--	--	SMG 51 (M)	--	--	--	--	--
SBW 25	--	16	18	--	20	SMG 53	--	--	23	--	--
SMA 5 (M)	?	?	?	--	?	SMG 55	--	--	--	--	--
SMA 13	19	11	18	--	--	SMG 61	--	--	23	--	--
SML 3 (M)	13	16	10	--	4	SRG 8	--	16	10	--	--
SML 4 (M)	18	16	6	--	22	SRG 43 (M)	19	16	23	--	2
SMG 3	--	--	10	--	4	SRG 45 (M)	--	16	10	--	22
SMG 4	--	--	23	--	4	SRG 47	19	16	23	--	--
SMG 5	--	--	23	--	21	SRG 50	16	16	23	--	--
SMG 6	--	--	10	--	21	SRG 52 (M)	16	16	23	--	9
SMG 14 (M)	13	16	23	--	5	SRG 57	19	16	23	--	12
SMG 20 (M)	--	16	3	--	4	SRG 58 (Sc)	16	13	23	--	--
SMG 21	13	16	17	--	--	SRG 67 (M)	--	16	23	--	--
SMG 35	19	16	18	--	4	SRG 68 (Sc)	? 16	5	--	--	--
SMG 36 (M)	--	16	10	--	20	SRG 76	*See Note	23	--	--	9
SMG 38	19	16	23	--	--	SUG 72	--	--	17	--	--
SMG 39 (TDN)	--	--	--	--	--	DX 37	--	--	17	--	--
SMG 41	--	--	3	--	--	DX 57	--	15	23	--	9
SMG 46	--	--	6	--	--	DX 114	26	14	1	13	24
SMG 48	--	--	3	--	21	DX 156	--	8	--	--	--
SMG 49	--	--	23	--	--	DX 158	--	8	--	--	--
SMG 50 (Sc)	--	--	23	--	--	DX 210	15	26	10	13	7

8. VINTAGE NOTES

The provisional programme for Veteran Commercial Vehicle Rallies, to be attended by K 383 and K 451 is as follows:-

3/4th May - H.C.V.C. London to Brighton Run.

1st June - Hull-Scarborough Run of East Kent Preservation Society.

15th June - Roohdale Transiclub Rally.

20th July - Midland Festival of Steam, Stafford.

27th July - Huddersfield Transport Centenary.

10th August - 1st Trans-Pennine (Manchester-Harrogate) Run.

30/31 Aug, 1st Sept - Gradd Transport Extrav., Crich. (Date of visit not yet decided).

28th Sept - St. Helens Transport Centenary.

Any members and their friends interested in attending some or all these events should contact either:-

not forgetting to enclose a stamped addressed envelope. Full details (departure times, etc) will then be sent when these are fixed.