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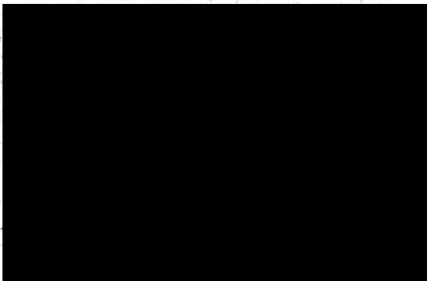
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HARROGATE MEETING - Saturday 19th April 1980, 6.45pm at Moss Grange Training School. As previously announced, the Company's General Manager [redacted] will give a talk.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS The Leeds Transport Touring Group have arranged the following tours:- Sunday 1st June - South Lancashire Ramble, visiting Todmorden, Bacup, Rawtenstall Accrington (lunch), Blackburn, Darwen, Wigan and Warrington. Expected fare £3.00. Sunday 22nd June North Yorks Moors Railway/East Coast Tour, visiting Pickering, then by steam train to Grosmont, then to Scarborough (United open top vehicles) and to Bridlington (East Yorkshire open top vehicles). Friday/Saturday 11/12th July - extended day tour to the Isle of Man in conjunction with Wallace Arnold Tours. Sunday 27th July - Sandtoft Trolleybus Museum - Anyone interested in taking part in an LTTG Tour should ring [redacted] any evening between 9 and 10pm for more details.

HVCV YORKSHIRE SECTION The next meeting will be on Wednesday 14th May at 7.45pm in the Leeds Transport Sports and Social Club, Concordia Street.

PSV CIRCLE The next Social Meeting will be on Thursday 8th May from 7.00pm in Meeting Room No 4, Bradford Central Library, Princes Way, Bradford.

PRESS DAY for the May issue will be on Saturday 3rd May and all items should be sent to arrive on or before that date to [redacted].

FOR SALE [redacted] has a number of timetables for disposal. These date from the 1950's and 1960's., and include a few pre-war timetables. [redacted] is also interested in acquiring old Dinky Toys in any condition. [redacted] can be contacted during working hours on [redacted].

### 1. FLEET CHANGES

Loaned Vehicle (Service Stock)

108 FPM 74C Bristol FLF6G 229175 ECW 14843 8484 kgs

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

United 108 is converted to a permanent learner bus and is in cream livery with a red band. It has the staircase removed and an instructor's seat fitted in the space created. The upstairs seats remain in situ, whilst the downstairs seats are rearranged to include one or two tables. It has been on loan to Keighley Depot from at least 11th March, evidently to cover a temporary shortage of learner buses (for example, 4058 at Leeds has received a new engine during March and has been covered by the loan of 4067 from Keighley). During March, 108 has been seen in Shipley, Bingley, Keighley and Skipton; it was at Moss Grange, Harrogate, on 31st March and outside Grove Park on 2nd and 5th April. This may suggest that it will shortly be returned to United, although it carried a Grove Park running sheet on 5th April. Loaned VR 1927 (Lincolnshire) is H43/31FD and not 39/31 as shown last month. Both this and Lincolnshire 1903 were returned to their owners in the latter half of March, after only a short loan. Both Mansfield District VR's were still at Keighley in early April.

ALLOCATIONS AND TRANSFERS

1261	(withdrawn)	to Keighley	22.3.80
2001	from Harrogate	(delicensed)	31.3.80
2510	CRW Spare	"	"
2103/5	(withdrawn)	Bradford	1.4.80
1332	Ilkley	Keighley	"
1378	Leeds	Keighley	"

NOTES:-

1. 2103/5 were withdrawn at York; their reinstatement at Bradford rather than York is perhaps of interest. 2584 is the vehicle allocated for York City Tour duties from 1st April.
2. 1261 was withdrawn at Wetherby
3. 1378 makes its first move since new; this is the vehicle with unique blue NBC moquette seats.
4. 2307 (Leeds) and 2309 (Ilkley) have been regraded from the coach fleet to "coach/bus" category. Presumably this is similar to the relegation that befell 2301-6 at the end of last season, although 2307/9 have not been renumbered.
5. 2001 is delicensed "for Traffic reasons" - i.e. the withdrawal of the Chauffeur Coach service. It remains in stock and for the present is to be stored - possibly at Pateley Bridge, though confirmation of this is required.

STORED VEHICLES

Bradford On 20th March, 1264/6 were the only vehicles stored on the car pack at the back of the garage.  
Harrogate Behind Grove Park on 5th April were 1256 and 2509.  
Keighley On 4th April, 2507 and probably 2510 were in the depot.  
Leeds By 20th March 1256 had gone to Grove Park leaving 1162 as the only withdrawn vehicle in the yard and this was still there on 3rd April.  
Skipton On 4th April, 1125/63, 1263 were at the back of the Depot and 1812 had gone by that date.

WITHDRAWN

31st March 1980: 2510 to Held for Disposal

REINSTATEMENTS

1st April 1980: 1261, 2103/5 all previously Held in Reserve.

SALES AND DISPOSALS

24th March 1980 - 3797/8, 1812 to W. Norths(PV) Ltd, Sherburn in Elmet.

The numbers of the Lewin sweepers has been depleted over the last couple of years, TWW 805, at Leeds, was stored out of use at the Depot until the alterations a couple of years ago, during which it disappeared, no doubt for scrap. TWW 806, from Keighley, appeared on the spare ground opposite the Chassis Shop at Harrogate in late March 1980 in a poor condition. TWW803, last reported as lying in York fidd in a damaged condition, also disappeared several years ago.

2. VEHICLE NOTES

Overhauls

March 1980:- 1280, 1389, 3931, 2525/8.

April 1980:- 1281, 1390/1

Repaints

March 1980:- 1346/69, 3921/4/50/68, 2103/5, 2329/36, 2560, 1702, 1918.

Livery Changes

Dual Purpose Livery : 2560? Confirmation of this is required, and also that after overhaul 2525 remains in National White and 2528 in dual purpose livery respectively.

Large Fleet Numbers:- 1295, 1427/83, 3459, 1925/35/8/48/99 1103 has only a large front fleet number (not all round as previously reported); 1908 has large rear and side numbers only and 1423/6 large rear numbers only. 2314 and 2513 are confirmed as retaining small fleet numbers in early April; they are the only 23xx and 25xx class to retain these.

New logo:- 1935/8

The use of "whiter white" on coaches has now ceased and "National White" is being used again. Recent repaints of YWY VR's appear to be in a slightly darker shade of poppy red than previously used and as a result the gold fleetname transfer appears more prominent. This transfer has been applied immediately below the lower deck windows of 3924/50/68 on recent repaint.

Unladen Weights

1280 - 7500 kg; 1388/9 - 7633 kg; 3931 - 8662 kg; 2525/8 - 9335 kg; (these two are subject to confirmation); 1452 now 8-3-0 (ex 8-13-0); 1815 now 8785 kg (ex 7941 kg).

Certificate of Fitness

3961 - 13/11/85; 3963 - 8/1/86 (both corrections to last month); 1727-9 all 31/1/87; 1730 - 2 all 7/2/87; 2518 - 22/5/85.

GENERAL INFORMATION

1813 (CRW loan L) was refitted with its destination gear by the time last month's Bulletin was published. It and all other vehicles at Leeds have now been given new blinds, details of which are given at the end of this issue.

1938 now carries a painted front number plate as does 4067 1342/66 are two further vehicles without aluminium trim across the front, above the number plate.

At least 2545/6/8/9 have had their "National" illuminated rear panel replaced by "West Yorkshire" on repaint into DP livery.

Probably 2547 has by now.

From the end of 1979, repaints of York-West Yorkshire vehicles have re-introduced the hyphen between York and West, a welcome improvement.

1256 and 2509 have had their engines removed as spares.

1731 was still without a destination blind on 5th April.

The overhauling of early RELL's as general policy ceased after 1252/4 were done, but 1261 introduced a new policy, continued by 1280/1 this month, of overhauling individual vehicles found on inspection to be in good condition, and withdrawing the remainder on C of F expiry.

#### ADVERTISEMENT NEWS

Loaned VR 141 (Mansfield District) carries a Windsors of Mansfield upper rear advert and a Rufford for Renault, Chesterfield Road North, Mansfield, advert on the lower part of the rear engine cover. It has a new logo badge on the upper part of the engine cover.

A new side advert in York is "Don't cheat on the Cheese"; there are several variations of this.

A new lower rear advert is "Barkers of Beeston. Peugeot Main Dealers".

New inside adverts are for "York Tourist Tickets", "Tour of York" and "Concessionary Passes and Tokens for Senior Citizens."

3792, having lost its "Newitts for Sport" lower rear PVC advert and has a painted advert for "Unwins for Ford".

The side advert for "Vernons Pools" has ceased in York for the time being.

#### 3. SERVICE CHANGES

The following applications have been made:-

##### NEW SERVICES

S.909 BW25/966 Harrogate (Bus Stn) - Pateley Bridge (Bus Stn).

Via Station Parade, Victoria Ave. West Park, Parliament St. Ripon Rd, A61, Ripley. A61. Wormald Green. Markington Fountains Abbey B6265 Risplith, Crossgates Brimham Rocks. Smelthouses, Wilsill, B6165 B6265. To operate throughout the year. On grant BW 25/830, 876 (785 Leeds-How Stean/Ripon) and BW 25/875 (54B York-Kettlewell) will be surrendered.

Introduced on Good Friday as service 805.

S. 910 BW25/967 Harrogate (Bus Stn) - Pateley Bridge (Bus Stn)

via Station Parade, York Place, Otley Rd. B6161. Beckwithshaw. Little Almscliff Crag. Bland Hill. Norwood. B6451. Fewston, Timble Ridge, Great Timble, Four Lane Ends, Blubberhouses A59, unclass. Greenhow. B6265. To operate throughout the year. On grant BW 25/830, 876 (785 Leeds-How Stean/Ripon) and BW25/875 (54B York-Kettlewell) will be surrendered.

Introduced on Good Friday as service 806.

S911 BW25/968 Harrogate (Bus Stn) - Ilkley (Brook St)

via Station Parade, York Place, Otley St. B6161. Beckwithshaw, Little Almscliff Crag. Bland Hill, Norwood. B6451. Fewston, Timble Ridge. Great Timble. Four Lane Ends, Askwith. Ilkley, Benton Rd. New Brook St. To operate throughout the year.

On grant BW 25/830, 876 (785 Leeds-How Stean/Ripon) and BW25/875 (54B York-Kettlewell) will be surrendered.  
Introduced on Good Friday as service 801, extended via Grassington to Hawes.

Variations

S.912 BW25/39 71 Skipton (Bus Stn) - Buckden (Buck Inn)

To revise the timetables Mon to Sat evenings and all day Sunday  
Sats. to retime the 1125 Grassington to Buckden to 1155 and  
the 1735 Buckden-Grassington to 1810.

S913 BW 25/126 73 Skipton (Bus Stn) - Short Bank Road

To revise the timetable Mon. to Sat evenings and all day Sunday.

S. 914 BW25/169 23 Harrogate-Pateley Bridge

Summer Sundays: To withdraw the 1320 Harrogate-Pateley Bridge and  
1640 Pateley Bridge - Harrogate. To divert the  
1815 Pateley Bridge - Harrogate via Ripley Cross.

S915. BW 25/263 772 Ilkley - Grassington

To revise the timetable on a Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holiday.

S.916 BW25/752 783/4 Leeds-Skipton

Suns: To retime the 0825 Skipton-Leeds to 0755 and 0955 Leeds-  
Skipton to 0925.

S. 917 BW25/834 70/70A Skipton-Silsden

Mon-Fri: To withdraw 2220 Skipton Bradley and 2225 Bradley -  
Skipton.

Sats. To withdraw the 1920 Skipton-Silsden 2005 Silsden -Skipton.  
2140 Skipton-Bradley and 2150 Bradley-Skipton.  
To retime the 2240 Skipton-Bradley to 2250 and 2250 Bradley  
-Skipton to 2300.

S.918 BW25/880 75 Skipton-Eastby

To revise the timetable Mon to Sat evening and all day Sunday.

S.919 BW25/921 - 922 X70 Leeds-Keld

Suns and Bank Holidays: To withdraw 1040 Leeds-Hawes  
Sats. Sun. Bank Hols: To retime the 910 Leeds-Keld to 940  
and Good Friday: + 1910 Ilkley-Leeds to 1940.  
Introduced on Good Friday as service 800.

S. 920 BW 25/924 74/74A Skipton-Horse Close Circular

To revise the Mon to Sat evening timetable and to withdraw the  
Sunday timetable.

S. 921 BW 25/925 76 Skipton - Grassington

Sat: To withdraw the 2230 Skipton-Bolton Abbey and 2258 Bolton  
Abbey-Skipton.

Sun: To withdraw the 1215 Skipton-Bolton Abbey. 1245 Bolton Abbey-  
Skipton - 1705 Skipton - Bolton Abbey and 1735 Bolton Abbey-  
Skipton.

S.922 BW 25/926 72 Skipton-Middlesmoor

To introduce a Sunday timetable.

S. 923 BW25/914 43 Leeds-York

Mon-Fri: To retime the 1625 York-Woodlands Avenue to 1620 and  
delete the reference to operation during School Terms only.

S. 924 BW 25/880 75 Skipton Eastby

Mon-Frid (School Terms only); To introduce an additional journey  
at 0833 Skipton (Greenacres Estate) to Aireville School.

S. 925 BW 25/328 79/79A Wetherby-York

Mon-Fri: To retime the 1620 York-Wetherby to 1625

Mon-Fri (School terms) to withdraw 1630 Wetherby-Tockwith and replace by

Mon-Fri: 1630 Wetherby-York(Theatre Royal) via Clifton Bridge.

S. 926 BW 25/42 667 Bradford-Skipton

Mon-Fri: to divert 1915 Bradford-Skipton via Siredale Hospital.

S. 927 BW25/946 60 Bus Station - Wedderburn Road

Wed and Fri only: To withdraw the following additional journeys via Knaresboro Rd. 0955 and 1130 Bus Station to

Wedderburn Rd. 1010 and 1145 Wedderburn Rd to Bus Station

Came into effect at the beginning of April 1980.

S. 928 BW 25/751 775 Harrogate-Tikley

Mon-Fri: To retime the 1015 Harrogate-Pannal to 1020 and the 1032 Pannal - Harrogate to 1037.

Sat. To retime the 1015 Harrogate-Pannal to 1010 and the 1032 Pannal - Harrogate to 1027

Introduced Monday 31/3/80.

S. 929 BW 25/416 87 York-Tadcaster

Fri only: To introduce 0930 Healaugh-Tadcaster and 1135 Tadcaster - Healaugh.

S. 930 BW 25/562 68 Bus Station - Claro Road

Mon-Sat: To retime the 1400 Bus Stn-Claro Rd to 1415 and 1410 Claro Rd - Bus Stn to 1425.

Introduced Monday 31/3/80.

S. 931 BW25/861 66 Bus Station - Cornwall Rd

Mon-Sat: To revise timetable and on grant BW25/758 Chauffeur Coach will be surrendered. Journeys now leave the bus station

at 0855, 0955, 1155, 1355 and 1610 on Mondays to Friday only.

Return from Cornwall Road is 10 minutes later than the outward journey.

T. 115 BW 25/90 From Low Harrogate

To introduce the following additional excursions:

Rosedale Abbey and Kirkby Moorside	Half Day	£2.45
Slaidburn	.. ..	£2.45
Yorkshire Wolds and Thornton Dale	.. ..	£2.45

The Chauffeur Coach service at Harrogate has huly ceased, but there is some doubt as to the exact date. The Harrogate Herald for 2nd April reported that it was being withdrawn "today", but this seems to be incorrect. 2002, which went to Keighley to operate the Riddlesden service, was still in Keighley Depot on 22nd March and 4th April. This left 2001 at Harrogate to work the Chauffeur Coach duty, but this was delicensed on 31st March, leaving no Chauffeur Coach to operate on the 1st and 2nd April. Either these two days were operated by conventional buses, or as seems more likely, the service ended on 31st March, the last day of the Council's financial year and therefore, presumably, the subsidy paid to keep the service going.

Besides modification to service 66 (see S931 above), the 1005 Knaresborough (Eastfield) to Harrogate on Mondays to Fridays now operates via St. Hilda's Road, Wayside Crescent, and Wayside Avenue. The return journey is at 1240.

The proposed Chauffeur Coach service never in fact operated at Keighley, as far as can be ascertained. This is thought to be

due to difficulties with the OMO equipment. 2002 was sent to Keighley to operate the service and was still there on 4th April, but in practice a RESL was sent out first thing each morning via Swine Lane Bridge and Morton, to work the part of 708/9 on the far side of the canal for the rest of the day. It turned round near the Bar Lane canal bridge (which has a 3 ton weight limit) and awaited the arrival at the Stockbridge side of the bridge of each journey from the Bus Station. The passengers then alighted and crossed the bridge on foot to join the bus at the other side. These arrangements were still in force on March 22nd, but by 4th April Granby Lane bridge had been reopened and services were back to normal.

#### 4. OPERATING NOTES

A typical duty worked by Lodekkas at Leeds is Car 46, which does 0715 Leeds-Tadcaster (43 Dup) followed by Toulston Lodge and Boston Spa Comprehensive School Special then 1025 Leeds-Ilkley (733), 1130 Ilkley-Leeds (733), 1235 Leeds-Otley(732), 1339 Otley-Leeds (735), then a Boston Spa Comprehensive School Special, then 1655, 1755 Leeds-Scholes (749) and 1717, 1817 Scholes-Leeds (749), returning to the garage at 1841.

Owing to a shortage of double deckers, all crew operated routes at York except 12/20 are now partially operated by single deckers on Mon-Sat. All types of Stage carriage single deckers are used on any route, although in early March Leyland Nationals were predominant on routes 7/8. Single deckers do occasionally work full day rotas on routes 12/20, but these are not regular and could be considered as unusual workings whereas single deckers on routes 7/8, 10 and 11 should no longer be considered unusual.

An interesting Wetherby duty on Mon-Fri is Car 9 which operates as follows: 0725 Wetherby-Bramham (-); 0735 Bramham-Thorp Arch (741 Dup); 0755, Thorp Arch-Knaresborough (-); 0820 Knaresborough-Wetherby (797); FRIDAYS ONLY IN SCHOOL HOLS:- 0845 Wetherby-Thorp Arch (W78); 0855 Thorp Arch-Healaugh (-); 0930 Healaugh-Tadcaster (87); 0952 Tadcaster-Wetherby (78M Dup) MON-THURS IN SCHOOL HOLS:- 0845 Wetherby - Thorp Arch (W78); 0855 Thorp Arch -Wetherby (-); SCHOOL TERMS ONLY: 1545 Wetherby-Boston Spa Comprehensive (-); 1610 Boston Comp-Upper Langwith \* (PH18); 1625 U. Langwith-Harrogate (-); SCHOOL HOLIDAYS:- 1622 Wetherby-Harrogate (78M Dup); DMILY: 1655 Harrogate-Boston Spa (78M); 1735 Boston Spa-Wetherby (78A). (\*upper Langwith is at the top of the hill above Collingham on the Harewood Road).

#### 5. UNUSUAL WORKINGS

##### March

- 1st - 1155 (M loan YK) on route 10
- 3rd - 1294 (K loan L) on 1125 York-Leeds(43A); 3433 on 0800 York-Wetherby (79) in place of the usual VR.
- 5th - 1279 (L) on route 87
- 13th - 3432 on route 85
- 14th - EYMS 180 (Baby National) on route 45
- 15th - 3331 (YK loan M) on 0845 Scarborough-Leeds(43); 3173(YK) on 1025 York-Wetherby (79).
- 17th - 1339 (M loan YK) on 1720 Leeds-York (43A) - usually YWY VR
- 18th - 1237 (YK) on route 12
- 19th - 3830 on route 79
- 22nd - 3175 on routes 12/20
- 24th - 2586 on route 3B; 1237 (YK) on routes 12/20
- 27th - 1273 (CRW loan YK) on route 83B; 2310/5/7/9 (L loan YK), 2320/1, 2584 (YK) and 3 Harrogate cars on Ampleforth College to York

29th - 2375/7/9 (L loan YK), 2320/2, 2561 (YK) on hire to EYMS for Hull to Swindon. Also 2584 (YK) on York-Edinburgh Humber Scot (route 332).

30th - 2501 (CRW loan L) on 743 Leeds-Aberford most of the day

31st - 3916 on route 54

On 32nd March, at least four vehicles were on hire to British Railways in Keighley for rail replacement services. These were 1973 (No. 1); 1732 (no. 2); Mansfield District 141 (no. 3 - itself on hire); and 1907 (B) (no. 4).

April

4th - 1783 (B) on 655/755 Bradford-Leeds all day. This is unusual at the best of times, but the 4th was Good Friday making it even more so.

6. SOLD STOCK NEWS

MWR 962D (Ex 2498, RELH6G sold Norths, Sherburn 6/79)

Outside Norths yard, 25th March, engineless and in poor condition. Vehicles left outside Norths yard in this way are usually awaiting collection by a breaker.

AWU 468B (Ex 1766, FS6B sold Norths, Sherburn 6/79)

Reported in issue 346 as being outside Norths yard 12/79. Gone by 25/3/80, probably for scrap.

EWY 386C (Ex 1197, SUL6P sold Norths, Sherburn 10/73)

To Thornes, Bubwith, 1/74 (licensed 12/74). Still running with Thornes and noted in Selby 5/4/80

7. OTHER INFORMATION

PUBLICITY

The "Play for Today" on BBC1 Television on Thursday, 13th March was called "Luges" and was based on the period around the introduction of Road Service licensing in 1930. In the film, Leyland Lion PLSC3 316 (KW474), new to Blythe and Berwick but now with the Lincoln Vintage Vehicle Society and painted in Lincoln Corporation livery was made up to represent a Yorkshire Traction bus. In addition, the credits at the end of the programme were superimposed on various photographs of West Yorkshire interest. These were TSM 230 at Braithwaite, Commer BM 7647 in Keighley, AEC UM 8861, TSM 259 and TS1 504, all being photographs that appear in the TPC West Yorkshire book, on pages 4, 8, 11, 15 and 19 respectively.

LEEDS BLINDS

Details of the new Leeds 31" and 41" blind are as follows:  
Private, School Special, Works Special, Leeds, Aberford, Addingham, Airport, Alwoodley, Arthington, Avro, Bardsey, Barwick, Benton Park, Bilton, Boston Spa, Bradford, Bramham, Bramhope, Bridlington, Copmanthorpe, Leeds, Faraley, Greengates, Harrogate, Hawes, High Royds Hospital, Horsforth, Ilkley, Keighley, Keld, Kirk Deighton, Knarborough, Leeds, Wetherby, Lotherton Hall, Malton, Otley, Pannal Ash, Penny Pot Lane, Pocklington, Rawdon, Red Hall, Ripon, Saltaire, Scarborough, Scholes, Shiplay, Skipton, Leeds, Tadcaster, Thorne, Tockwith, Thorp Arch, Whinmoor, White Cross, Wighill, Wike, Yeadon, York, Leeds, White Blank, School Special, Works Special, Private. This blind is fitted to all stage carriage vehicles at Leeds, including

the dual purpose RELL's. The 25xx class have a variation of this blind, which is as shown above, but has extra destinations following straight on at the end from "Private"... "Birmingham, Blackpool, Bradford, Cleveleys, Excursions, Fleetwood, Keswick, Leeds, Liverpool, Llandudno, London, Morecambe, Newcastle, Private Charter, Southport, Sunderland, Tour, National Express". Both these blinds, like other recent ones, are made from something similar to thick paper. New destinations include Benton Park, Keld, Lotherton Hall and Whinmoor, whilst others have appeared before at other depots but not at Leeds. Leeds (Wellington Street) is an omission, as is Claro Road, used by a Wetherby turn and for which a painted board has now been prepared. Yeadon (Hawthorn) is now covered by plain "Yeadon". An interesting point is the use of "White Cross" - this has previously been used by Bradford, Ilkley and Keighley, but Leeds blinds have referred to the same place as "Guisley". As on the current Harrogate blinds, Wetherby is out of alphabetical sequence.

#### BRADFORD BLIND

The new 31" and 41" blinds here are as follows:-  
Private, School Special, Works Special, Airport, Baildon, High Baildon, Low Baildon, Belmont Avenue, Bingley, Bolton Woods, Bradford, Brighouse, Cottingley, Cullingworth, Denholme, Duckworth Lane, Eldwick, Greengates, White Blank, Harrogate, Haworth, High Royds Hosp, Hirst Wood, Horsforth, Huddersfield, Idle Moor, Bradford, Ilkley, Keighley, Knoll Estate, Leeds, Lucy Hall, Menston, White Bank, Otley, Pool, Bradford, Rawden, Saltaire, Salts Grammar School, Scarborough, Shipley, Shipley Glen, SRIpton, Westfield, West Royd, Wrose, Yeadon, York, School Special, Works Special, Private, White Blank, Basildon, Birmingham, Blackpool, Bradford, Bridlington, Excursion, Filey, Glasgow, Keswick, Leeds, London, Morecambe, Private Charter, Sheffield, Tour, Whitby, National Express.

Interesting points about this blind, which is also on thick paper, are that there is a Haworth but no Mytholmes or Mytholmes via Haworth. Also omitted is any provision for journeys to Woodlands Hospital. "Westfield" on it's own seems a little hard on passengers from Bradford who may not know that Westfield is at Yeadon. Both Wrose and Idle Moor are included for the same terminus in Bradford.

#### YORK BLIND

The first of the four blinds listed this month to appear, this is also the lengthiest. It has in fact been removed from the vehicles, and old blinds replaced, evidently because of the amount of handle winding required on certain duties. Private, School Special, Armstongs, Carriage Works, Rowntrees, Technical College, Terry's Acomb Hotel, Ashley Park, Askham Richard, Askham Lane, Badger Hill, Beckfield Lane, Bishopthorpe, Broadway, York Station, Burton Stone Lane, Chapelfield, Clifton, Copmanthorpe, Crichton Avenue, Dringhouses, Elmfield Avenue, Elmpark Way, Fossway, Foxwood Lane, Fulford, Haxby, Heslington, Hull Road, Huntington New Lane, Huntington North Moor, Leeman Road, Murton, Naburn Hospital, Nether Poppleton, New Earswick, Osbaldwick, Piccadilly, Rougier Street, South Bank, Stockton on Forest, York Station, Strensall, Tang Hall, Tang Hall Lane, Warthill, Wigginton, Woodthorpe, White Blank, Bradford, Bridlington, Castle Howard, Claxton, Easingwold, Flaxton, Harrogate, Hovingham, Hull, Hutton Ambo, Keighley, Kettlewell, Knaresborough, Leeds, Malton,

Cherry Avenue, Hambleton Estate, Hovingham, Nun Monkton, Raskelf, Scarborough, Sheriff Hutton, Tadcaster, Thirsk, Tockwith, Wetherby, Wighill, Wintringham, York, Blackpool, London, National Express, Tour, Private.

None of the four new blinds carry any code or date; this could presumably cause problems when blinds are revised in future in determining which particular issue is fitted to a vehicle.

#### OTHER BRISTOLS

An interesting vehicle noted on the M1 leaving Leeds on 3rd April was ex Western National 2052 (AVO 522B), an FLF6B. This is a mobile restaurant owned by "Bus Fare", of Albury, and shows "Bus Fare" as the destination. It has no connection with the enthusiasts magazine of similar title!

Ex Bristol and Western National RELH6G 861 UAE is still running for Compass, Wakefield, painted all yellow.

#### NEW TIMETABLES

A new York Area timetable has been published, dated 23rd March 1980 and priced 20p. The cover is now blue in colour, whilst the route map inside the front cover has been redrawn and is now diagrammatical. The map of York City bus routes has also been redrawn and split into two; one showing routes outside the centre of the City and the other the City Centre and bus stops, both in diagrammatic form. An innovation is the showing of Bank Holiday Monday and Good Friday services with each timetable, in future it is proposed to issue a leaflet only to cover the Christmas traffic arrangements.

A new Harrogate and the Dales timetable was to have been available before Easter, to coincide with the new Dales services operated over the holiday period, but unfortunately, issue of this was delayed until after Easter.

#### SPRING TOUR

This is now fully booked and we regret that any further bookings can only be provisional pending any possible cancellations.