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EDITORIAL

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This news sheet being the last before the festive season, the committee wish to convey to all members the Seasons Greetings and Best Wishes for 1970. We would also like to thank everyone for their interest in the Group, especially to those who have assisted in its running and/or who have sent in reports.

Annual General Meeting

The Groups fifth A.G.M. will be held at 7, Cambridge Drive, Seven Kings on Saturday, 24th January, 1970 commencing at 1430. After the meeting there will be a colour slide show, free refreshments will be provided. A copy of the Groups Annual Report for 1969 has been circulated with this news sheet and the committee will be glad to answer members questions at this meeting.

Publications

The following new publications will be available from 1st January 1970:

E.P.15 Renumbering of Eastern National services
in 1955. Price 1/3d. (post free)

E.P.16 Renumbering of Eastern National Midland area
 services by United Counties. Price 1/3d. (post free)

E.P.15 & E.P.16 - 2/3d. (post free).

Photograph List

A new photograph list has been circulated with this news sheet, this includes the original list and also a supplementary list. Lack of necessary funds has prevented this from appearing earlier as was originally envisaged.

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New Vehicles

1515	FWC438H	Bristol	RELL6G	3/918	E.C.W.	B53F	17605
1516	FWC439H	Bristol	RELL6G	3/919	E.C.W.	B53F	17606
1517	FWC440H	Bristol	RELL6G	3/926	E.C.W.	B53F	17607
1518	FWC441H	Bristol	RELL6G	3/927	E.C.W.	B53F	17608
1519	FWC442H	Bristol	RELL6G	3/928	E.C.W.	B53F	17609

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Delivery dates - 1515 : 11.69      1518 : 11.69
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                  1517 : 12.69

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Acquired Vehicle

1248	PHN 858	Bristol LS5G	89,149	E.C.W.	B45F	6131	New 1953
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Acquired 11.69 ex. United Automobile Services Ltd., Darlington, no.2029. The vehicle was converted by Eastern National to B45F(O.M.O.) before entry into service.

Withdrawn Vehicle

11.69 1234(856 ETW)

This vehicle was scrapped following accidental damage and was stripped for spares at Central Works before withdrawal.

Vehicles on order

Further to our September news sheet (NS68) we give additional details below of the vehicles on order for 1970.

The 3 Bristol RELH6G coaches with E.C.W. bodywork are expected in Feb/Mar 1970 and will be numbered 419-21.

The 3 Bristol RELH6G dual purpose vehicles are expected in Feb/Mar 1970 and will be numbered 160C-10.

The 2 Bristol RELH6G coaches with Duple bodywork will carry the Commander IV model and will be numbered 417/C, delivery is expected in May 1970.

The 10 Bristol RELH6G saloons are expected between April and December 1970.

Allocations and Transfers

12.69 334-CF, 340-D/L, 341-CN, 367-D/L, 391-D/L, 402-SD, 403-CP, 404-HD, 405-CN, 406-SD, 1248-BE, 1302-D/L, 1333-MN, 1338-D/L, 1341-MN, 1342-HD, 1343-D/L, 1344-D/L, 1413-BD, 1506-BD, 1511-CR, 1515-CF, 1516-CF, 1518-MN, 1519-BD.

Service Vehicles

Following the information published last month (NS70) the driver tuition vehicles U649 and O796 are finished on the exterior in the service vehicle livery of light green and cream.

Historical Section

"Nearly but not quite" (By A.G. Osborne)

Addendum Lines 43 and 44 should readservice 3A and 3B, since they served Bishops Stortford were given the new numbers 348 and 347. (not 347 and 348 as originally published.)

General

The stage carriage service operated by F.C. Moore Ltd. of Saffron Walden (Viceroy Coaches) between Saffron Walden and Dunmow via Thetford ceased operation after Thursday, 11th December, 1969 due partly to lack of staff. Eastern National started a replacement service on Monday, 15th December. No service was provided in the intermediate period. The new service is numbered 33A and is at present being operated by Dunmow outstation. The reason for the service number selected is that a through service lined with existing E.N. service 33 (Chelmsford - Dunmow) may later be operated between Chelmsford and Saffron Walden. The other services operated by Viceroy Coaches in the Saffron Walden area are still being maintained by the operator.

TILLINGS TRAVEL LTD.

Fleet Changes 12.69 Licensed : T300. Delicensed : T306.

COLCHESTER CORPORATION

Rebuilt Vehicles

The following vehicles have been equipped for O.M.O. operation :

47(WEV747F) - 10.69	51(AVX51G) - 10.69
48(YWC640F) - 10.69	52(AVX52G) - 10.69
50(AVX 50G) - 11.69	

SOUTHEND CORPORATION

Vehicles Reseated

Further to the information published in our July news sheet (NS66) we now confirm that all the open top vehicles (242/4-7) are now O33/26R. It is anticipated that these vehicles will be replaced for the 1971 season.

Vehicles on order

The new Daimler Fleetlines on order have been allocated fleet numbers 348 - 373 and not as stated in NS70. (251-276)

(We are indebted to Ronald Rogers Esq., Transport General)

(Manager for the above information.)

General

Details of the conversions of the Albion Lowlanders to O.M.O. operation has had to be held over until next month.