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N.G.R.S.
ADMINISTRATION

The list of officers which has hitherto been printed at the back of the magazine no longer applies. At the last Committee meeting, a decision was taken to reduce the number of Committee members, and bring various appointments into line with other Societies. The Honorary Officers of the Society are now as follows:

Organising Secretary: P.S.Halton, 18, Eden Crescent, Leeds, 4.

Membership Secretary
& Treasurer: A.S.Dunning, 41, Longden Avenue, Beaumont Park, Huddersfield.

News Editor: P.G.Brennand, 37, Norwich Avenue, Hunslet Carr, Leeds, 10.

Librarian:
(i/c Ref. Dept) Dr.R.P.Lee, The Willows, Fenay Bridge, Huddersfield.

Preservation Secretary: R.N.Redman, 11, Outwood Walk, Horsforth, Leeds.

Chairman: E.G.Cope, 10, Piece Wood Rd., Leeds, 16.

Mr.Halton will look after arrangements for visits, meetings, and contact with various firms, the other appointments are self-explanatory. (For the time being, the Chairman is looking after publicity matters).

If you have any queries or observations of any kind, please address them as far as practicable to the Hon. Officer concerned, and please remember to enclose s.a.e. if an answer is required.

N.B. Although model engineering is still very much a part of our activities, it has been decided that most members of the Committee are able to deal with any queries which may arise. Mr.Halton will still be pleased to take orders for various drawings which are available: send him an s.a.e. if you wish a list.

NEWS ITEMS
WANTED!

It would assist matters greatly with regard to quality, quantity and general success of this News Sheet if members with anything of interest in the way of news, events, etc., would please communicate direct with the News Editor. Thank you!

LONDON & S.E.
JOINT AREAS.

Mr.C.H.John, "Ravensbourne", 23, Crossway, West Ealing, London, W.13, is the London Area Agent, and Mr. W.J.K.Davies, Merton Court, Knoll Road, Sidcup, Kent, is the S.E.Area Agent. If you have recently joined, and you live anywhere near the Agents, please get in touch with them regarding local meetings, etc. (THE A.G.M. of the joint areas will take place at "The Ship" on March 9th, in the evening, by the way).

PRESERVATION of the O.6.2S/T "Barber" has been held up due to transportation difficulties, but it is hoped to have it moved from Harrogate to Leeds shortly. All members living in the area are advised that a "track-lifting" session may be necessary one Sunday in the near future: an advice will be sent out re date shortly.

SOUTHALL RAILWAY CLUB EXHIBITION.

Thanks mainly to the efforts of the McMillar brothers, and Don Boreham, we had a stand at the Southall Exhibition. The exhibition was originally to have lasted one week, but was extended to take advantage of local press publicity.

Narrow gauge models occupied a prominent place and included an Isle of Man Railway goods train with two locos, some Clogher Valley and Festiniog coaches, a free-lance tram-engine, and a 2'0" gauge goods train hauled by two 0-4-0S/T locos, and including some G.V.T. coaches.

Drawings of narrow gauge locos and stock were also displayed, together with a good selection of photographs, and a large poster proclaimed the advantages of the Society!

LONDON & S.E. JOINT AREA MEETING, JAN. 12th.

This meeting was quite well attended, no less than seventeen people turning up to hear an illustrated lecture by J.J. Davis entitled

"Photographic Miscellany".

Mr. Davis showed us a considerable number of colour slides and dealt briefly with most of the narrow gauge railways in England, Wales and the Isle of Man, together with a few shots of the standard gauge Wisbech and Upwell Tramway, and Oxfordshire Ironstone Mines. Naturally enough, as Mr. Davis is a T.R.P.S. member, the Tal y Llyn Railway came in for a goodly share of his attention, but slides of the Festiniog were also shown. The meeting was greatly enjoyed by all present.

-Reported by W.J.K.D.

LEEK AND MANIFOLD VALLEY RAILWAY.

On display at the Transport Treasures Exhibition in the Shareholders' Room at Euston Station is a nameplate of the former Leek and Manifold Valley Light Railway loco No. 1. "E.R. Calthrop". This is an interesting exhibit in view of an N.G.R.S. member's discovery of the "J.B. Earle" nameplates in a Leeds scrapyard some time ago. These are now exhibited at the Narrow Gauge Railway Museum at Towyn.

- J.C. Vincent, Surrey.

PHOTOGRAPHS WANTED

of American-built War Department narrow gauge locomotives (particularly Penrhyn Quarries, etc) in the British Isles, for slim-gauge enthusiast in the U.S.A. Details to R.N. Redman, 11, Outwood Walk, Horsforth, Leeds, Yorkshire.

RECENT ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Trains Illustrated, February: illustrated article on the Rye and Camber Railway.

Meccano Magazine, March: illustrated article on the Festiniog Railway; photo of preserved "White Pass & Yukon" locomotive.

Railway Magazine, February: illustrated article by P.B. Whitehouse, entitled "Narrow Gauge from St. Brieuc"; photo of Isle of Man Railway loco; report that Manx Electric Railway has been bought by I.O.M. Legislature for £50,000.; short illustrated item on Lynton and Barnstaple Coach marooned on site near Snapper Halt; reproduction of letter written by Russian Railways Commissioner in 1871 praising Festiniog Railway.

FOR SALE

in aid of the Preservation Fund: a considerable number of covers which were printed in excess of requirements for the last magazine. The photo, by F. Church, of Essex, shows the unique railcar on the Mondsee branch of the Salzkammergutlokalbahn, visited by our Austrian railtour party last year. Send stamped-addressed foolscap envelope, and enclose stamps to whatever value of donation (from 2d upwards) you care to make, to the Chairman (address above).

REMINDER

We apologise if this issue of the News is not as "newsy" as you would like it to be: the answer lies with you! Send us the news, and we will put it in the "NGRS NEWS".