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Introduction

This is the first issue of our new monthly news-sheet, announced in the November 'Journal'. It will contain those items previously published at the end of the 'Journal' under the heading News from the Society. The separation of this matter will release valuable space in the 'Journal' for items of more permanent interest and will keep members informed of forthcoming events, etc., at closer intervals than was previously possible. To save postage, the 'Journal' and 'Bulletin' will be sent out together when the months of publication coincide.

Suggestions

Please send any criticisms or suggestions concerning the 'Bulletin' to the Secretary who, for the time being, will be responsible for its compilation. All remarks will be welcomed. In addition, please send any items of news, notes, queries, etc., which might interest fellow-members. This applies particularly to announcements of local celebrations or exhibitions of transport relics, and so on, many of which, in the past, have not generally been known about until too late.

Addresses on envelopes

Members may have noticed that the envelope containing this 'Bulletin' was addressed by means of the new embossed 'Addressograph' plates which have been made at a cost of about 6d. each. This small expense is more than justified by the ease and accuracy with which multiple sets of envelopes can be run off when required. If any errors have accidentally crept into their addresses members are asked to inform the Secretary immediately. Furthermore, all future changes of address should be notified to him promptly so that new plates may be embossed.

Subscriptions

Any members who have not yet paid their subscriptions, due on 30 September 1958, are now very much in arrears. They are asked to send a remittance to the Treasurer as soon as possible.

Membership List

A copy of the Membership List, revised up to 31 December 1958, will soon be reaching all members, possibly with this 'Bulletin'. Please destroy your previous list to avoid any confusion, since several members have recently moved.

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New Members

The following new members are welcomed to the Society and their addresses will be found in the new Membership List: E. Marshall, A. Hayman, B. Henry, A. A. H. Hogg, R. A. Dane and R. A. S. Melliush.

Resignations

The Council has accepted with regret the resignations of the following members: A. L. Lattimore, J. Hanson, H. Chase and J. W. Hartigan.

Member's Interests

Mr P. A. Norton would like to hear from anyone sharing an interest in the two companies which made up the Low Level Line at Warrington, viz. the Warrington and Altrincham Junction Railway (later the Warrington and Stockport Railway) and the railway side of the St. Helens Canal and Railway Company. Mr Norton is also interested in the Manchester South Junction and Altrincham and the Birkenhead, Lancashire and Cheshire Junction Railways.

Forthcoming Events

The reply-slips attached to the provisional programme circulated in November have proved of great value to the Council. If you have not yet returned your slip showing proposed events in which you are interested, please send it now to Miss K. M. Stephens.

Saturday 10 January 1959

Mr Charles Hadfield will address the Society on 'Canal Development in South Wales'. 6 for 6.45 p.m. Library of the London Transport Executive, 55 Broadway, S.W.1. (St. James's Park Underground Station)

Saturday 17 January 1959

North Western Group Meeting. 'On 2 feet plus'. An exhibition of slides of railway views by G. Robinson, Esq. 6.50 p.m. Oddfellow's Institute, Chestergate, Stockport.

Saturday 14 February 1959

North Western Group Meeting. 'The Bridgewater Navigations'. A talk by A. Hayman, Esq., [Member] Manager, Bridgewater Department, Manchester Ship Canal Company. Time and place the same as for meeting on 17 January.

Saturday 14 March 1959

Afternoon visit to the Exeter Canal. Further details later.