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LATE APPEARANCE:
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The typist/printer apologises for the late appearance of this issue. We do not intend it to become a habit, and there have been certain extenuating circumstances this time. It is not the fault of Editor Bob Prentice: he did his stuff in his usual good time!

LATEST OUTING:
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Y1 612 was comfortably filled with passengers when it departed Malvern Depot on Monday 4th April 1988. A number of cross-overs not frequently used were traversed, including the one in Commercial Road at Chapel Street.

In all, the outing was voted a success by the members and visitors; the visitors of course were Paul Class (USA) and buddy. Our thanks are offered to the platform staff, once again, for some excellent running of 612, and their co-operation at photo-stops. Michael Norbury earns our thanks for dispensing refreshments (shall we say "Meals on Wheels?")

NEXT OUTING:
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13 JUN 1988

Now, this one is a MUST!!! X 217 (the Birney car) and S 164 -- what a combination!! The fare has been fixed at \$20 per head, with no concession possible. Departure is at 10.00 hrs from SOUTH MELBOURNE DEPOT. It is planned to operate over what is left of some of the routes that 217 operated as an all-night service tram. The route to Footscray will be a "mystery tour". The trams will be rostered to make the necessary stops for passenger comfort. Please use booking form enclosed with this issue -- or ring Booking Officer Jeffrey Bounds. All seats must be reserved, and reservers will be expected to pay whether they show or not! Enquiries to Jeffrey Bounds, 527-3342.

PERSONAL PAR:
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We wish a speedy recovery to Allan Arthur, after a serious operation; already he has been active at the Bylands site after discharge from hospital.

Best Wishes, Allan!

FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER:

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Stanlope Street Hall:

Norm Maddock and Ron Scholten have been working steadily at preparing the Hall for a Tramway Exhibition to be held in June. Norm has a very interesting collection of artefacts and memorabilia of the Tramway Trusts and the MMTB. Many thanks to Jeff Bounds, Keith Kings, Robert Green and Peter Bardho for assisting Norm and Les Jean from the MTA has also given invaluable assistance. (The Exhibition is an initiative of Norm Maddock, with which the Society is co-operating.)

Driver Training and Roster

Keith Kings has almost completed his training as a Motorman. His diligence and reliability is something that all members and directors should take note of. Don't be like some of the inconsiderate members we have. If you are rostered on, show up. Remember Bylands is **your** museum and it is not run by that legendary Chinese gentleman. Recently a number of Motormen have been absent without notice or replacement, and their lack of attendance is noted. At the time of writing "Lead-foot Louie" and the little fella have worked for the museum five of the last ten days. Just a few times-I think too often so how about it?

Overhead

Peter Bardho and Allan Arthur have been busy erecting overhead on No 2 road and placing the outside span wires into position. These two members should be congratulated on their efforts to date.

Trams

Ian Millar continues his laborious work on 667 and the fruition of his solo effort is starting to appear. This car should be completed later this year. 16W is having some defective sanding gear replaced by Andy Hall. Rod Atkins and David Leek have been dismantling 42 for parts for 43 and they should be thanked for the progress they have made so quickly. 643's No 3 motor caught fire whilst in traffic: luckily the fire was contained to the inside of the traction motor. The MTA have kindly provided a brand new replacement: special thanks must go to Keith Allender and Jack Opperman of the MTA for this. The service is being run, reliably, by 36 and 644. 427 will go to Bylands later this year.

Brochure

Michael Norbury has organised for a new Society Brochure to be produced to publicise Bylands.

Kilmore Council

The Museum has lately been given tremendous support by Councillor Hill of the Shire Council. He secured the complete grading and re-gravelling of Union Lane. Unfortunately some members of Council, and the Engineers in charge Mitchell and Wanneck are not as helpful, particularly with the culvert required at the front gate, where a truck was bogged in May. We are extremely lucky to have a Councillor like Barry Hill fighting in Council on our behalf.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1988

The Board has appointed Saturday 20th August 1988 for the Annual General Meeting of the Society, at 8 p.m., at the Stanhope Street Hall, Malvern. The formal notice of the Meeting will be issued in accordance with the Rules, in due course. The attention of members is drawn to the provisions of Rule 26 relating to the election of the Board of Management: nominations close 28 clear days before the date of the Annual General Meeting: any any Honorary Life or currently financial member may be nominated by any two other such members for the offices of Chairman, Deputy Chairman or ordinary member of the Board (three to be elected) by written notice to the Secretary.

BOOKING FORM: X 217/S 164 OUTING

Send to
Mr Jeffery Bounds,
29 Melby Avenue,
EAST ST KILDA, 3183.

Hi Jeffery!
Please book me on this great outing:

Number: x\$20 each = Total with this form \$

Name:

Address:

Telephone.

(Remittances payable to The Tramway Museum Society of Victoria Ltd.)

SOCIETY POSTAL ADDRESS

Just a reminder that post for the Society should be directed to the Secretary at P.O. Box 27, MALVERN 3144.