

Bygone Buses

of
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

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PUGH. Norman t/a REGENT COACHES 126 Regent Street KETTERING

Norman Pugh was apparently a motor dealer operating from premises at 126 Regent Street, Kettering in the post-War period and who, by 1952 at the latest, operated a coach or coaches under the title "REGENT COACHES". Norman Pugh, aided by his son Neville, was certainly running a pre-War Bedford WTB registered BWD 323 by July 1952 and he may well have owned this vehicle prior to this date. It carried a twenty-six seat Willowbrook body and appears to have been withdrawn at the end of 1952. As a replacement Pugh purchased a slightly younger Bedford WTB in the early part of 1953 and this was registered EHP 487, fitted with a 26 seat Duple body.

Norman Pugh advertised two or three times in the Kettering Evening Telegraph in the summer of 1953 and the appended advertisement is an example.



Quite how long Norman Pugh operated is unknown, but probably until the end of the 1953 season only.

Rolling Stock:

Regn. No.	Chassis	Type	Chassis No.	Body	Seats	Body No.	Dates			Former Owner	Disposal	Notes
							New	S/H	W/D			
BWD 323	Bedford	WTB	111776	Willowbrook	C26F	3023	12/37	by 7/52	c 12/52	Wheildon, Castle Donington	No further owner	
EHP 487	Bedford	WTB	17235	Duple	C26F	5906/2	5/39	c 1/53	c10/53?	Smith, Marton	?	

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