

Bygone Buses

of
NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

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COX. Mrs Violet May “Stonehurst” High Street RUSHDEN

Frank Bosworth of Geddington (NN-BO5) was using a former London General X-type bus from February 1921 and this vehicle seated only twenty passengers suggesting that its top deck was either inaccessible or had been removed. Bosworth is believed to have operated his bus which on acquisition had been re-registered BD 5536, for a little over a year after which time it passed to Mrs Violet May Cox of “Stonehurst”, High Street, Rushden at some point in 1922. Mrs Cox was also BD 5536’s last owner and its final licence expired at the end of October 1924. Interestingly there is a record of local Motor Tax irregularities that show that in the Autumn of 1924 Mrs Cox, described as a married woman, was reported by the Police for using BD 5536 having paid a lower rate of duty on her bus than should have been the case.

Nothing further is known about Mrs Cox, her husband or what she did with her bus.

However, it is intriguing to note the emergence of the Midland Motor Company in October 1924 trading from the same address as that given for Mrs Cox. Paper NN-MI1A reports further.

ROLLING STOCK:

Regn. No.	Chassis	Type	Chassis No.	Body	Type/ Seats	Body No.	Dates			Former Owner	Disposal	Notes
							New	S/H	W/D			
BD 5536	L.G.O.C.	X	X545	L.G.O.C.	O20R?	?	?	c-/22	10/24	F. Bosworth, Geddington	No further owner	

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