



ROAD MEETS RAIL

There is abundant activity at Southend as a Stanier 3 cylinder tank locomotive approaches Central Station having been beaten to the bridge by a corporation double-decker bus. Also featured is a British Railways Thornycroft Nippy lorry.

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FEBRUARY 2026

STEAM AND SNOW

In 1887 the company renamed Edwin Foden Sons and Co. Ltd. At Sandbach, Cheshire, were producing industrial steam engines, traction engines and in 1901 a 3 ton steam wagon – the basis of a successful run of vehicles over the next 30 years, This Foden 4nhp road haulage tractor has safely delivered timber butts to a sawmill following a fall of snow.

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MARCH 2026

THE CAT & FIDDLE

At dawn on the Turnpike Road between Macclesfield and Buxton, an ERF EC 11 Tipper, built in the 1990s. These were among the last lorries manufactured by UK company ERF, at Sandbach. In the background is The Cat and Fiddle Inn, a former public house and the second highest in England, at 1,689ft above sea level.

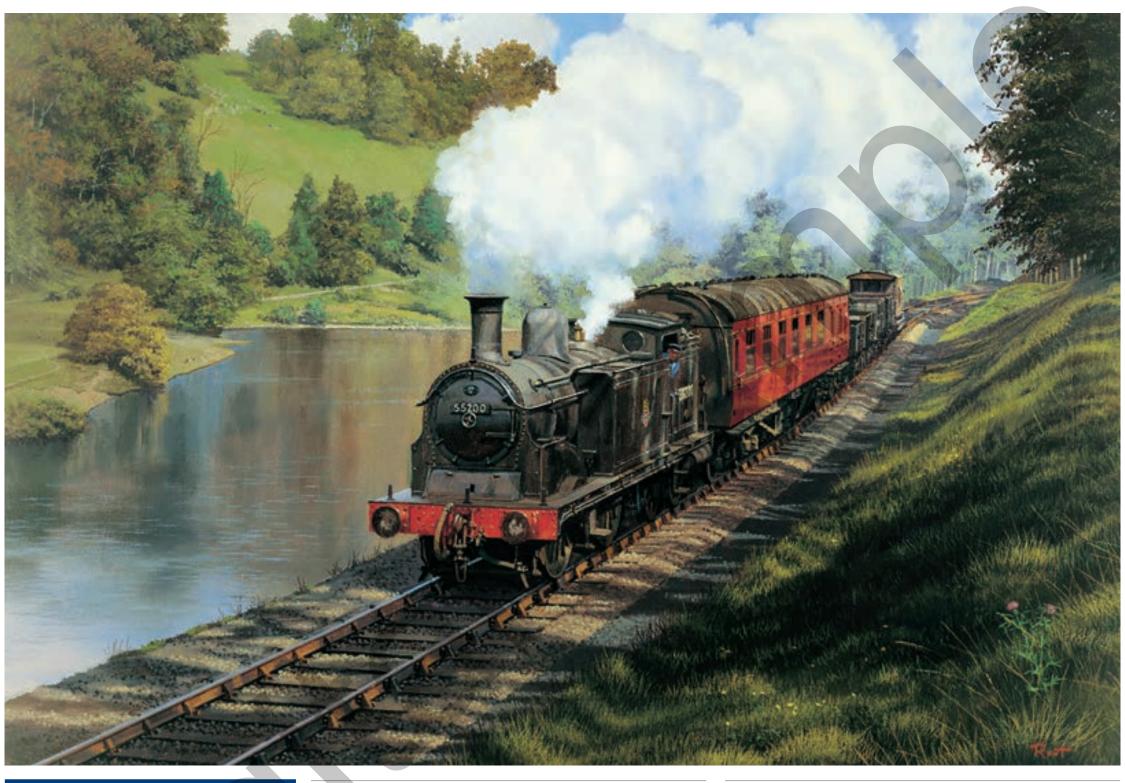
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APRIL 2026

HIGH ROAD TO ABERFELDY

The branch line from Ballinluig through Grandtully to
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ACE ARRIVAL

Dennis Ace turns into Chelmsford Bus Station, shortly after the cessation of hostilities in 1945. This 20-seater bus remained in service with Eastern National until 1949.

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JUNE 2026

BRECON COUNTY

Drivers from the Swansea area would travel via the Swansea Valley, pre-motorway days, to join the A40 at Sennybridge, carrying tin plate loads for the Midlands and North of England. Here we have three AEC Mammoth Major eight-wheeled steel waggons, a Mk V, a Mk III and a 'Tin Front' taking up the rear.

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THE DOWN BROADSMAN

The Britannias, well liked by their crews, put in their fin performances on the old Great Eastern line between Liverpool Street and Norwich. Brentwood Bank was always a good place to watch them in action as shown by No 70009 Alfred the Great on the down Broadsman.

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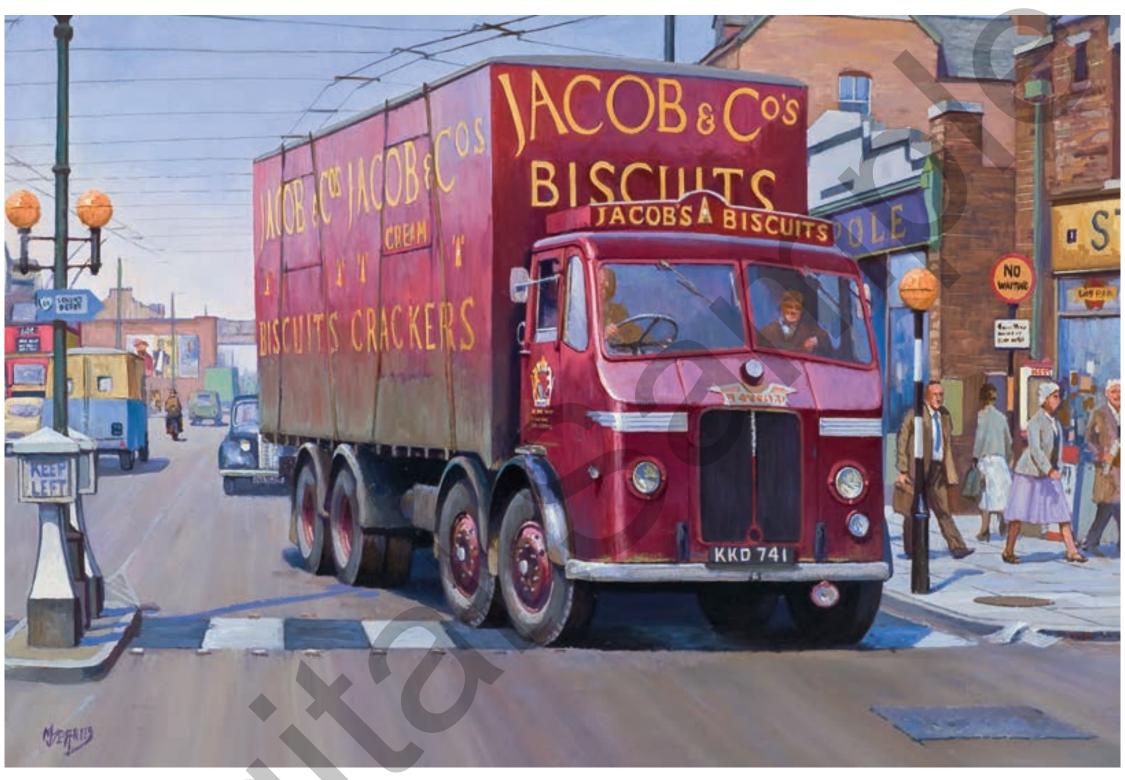
FIELD MARSHALL'S TEA BREAK

The first Marshall tractor was built in 1930 at the factory in Gainsborough, Lincolnshire. One of its most notable features was its single cylinder engine, an engine design popular in tractors on mainland Europe at the time, but not favoured here. Two variants of Field Marshall are depicted here.

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SEPTEMBER 2026

JACOB'S LEYLAND

Before its merger with the car giant BMC, the name Leyland had an excellent reputation for well-engineered products and this 1949 22.0/1 eight-wheeler Octopus of Jacob's Biscuits typified the marque. This vehicle carried 3,000 tins of biscuits from Liverpool to London.

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GRESLEY'S MASTERPIECE

The gloom and grime of top shed in London during t 1930s is pierced by the appearance of LNER No 4491 A4 pacific Commonwealth of Australia. Cleaned to perfection, and sporting chrome and stainless steel fittings, she looks magnificent.

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ON WAR WORK

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DECEMBER 2026

THE ARNHEM

In sub zero temperatures 'The Arnhem' waits alongs Parkeston Quay, as an ex-GER 0-6-0 tank locomotive shunts wagons. 'The Arnhem', built by John Brown's shipyard for the INER route to the Hook of Holland, made her maiden voyage in 1947.

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