

BRITISH RAILWAYS

(Western Region)

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GLOUCESTER DISTRICT

NOTICE OF

PASSENGER TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS

2nd April to 13th April, 1954

Each Station Master must satisfy himself that he fully understands the arrangements shewn herein and is in a position to carry them into effect, also ensure that every permanent member of the staff is instructed with regard to, and understands, the arrangements shewn in this Notice, and, if necessary supplied with a copy.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

For General Instructions to be observed in connection with the running of the Special Trains shewn herein, see the Book of Rules and Regulations, dated January, 1950, and the General Appendix thereto, dated July, 1936.

GENERAL NOTES

For explanation of General Notes, see Service Time Tables.

FOR DETAILS OF THROUGHOUT TIMINGS SEE OPERATING
SUPERINTENDENT'S SPECIAL TRAFFIC NOTICE NOS. 43 AND 44.

SPEED RESTRICTIONS

The Permanent and Temporary Speed Restrictions in operation must be strictly adhered to and the arrangements shewn herein are also subject to alterations and such other special instructions as appear in the Temporary Speed Restrictions, Permanent Way Operations, Signal Alterations, etc., Notices, or any Special Notices subsequently issued thereto.

FRIDAY, 2nd APRIL

DUPLICATION OF PASSENGER TRAINS, ETC.

7.10 a.m. Cheltenham to Paddington.

To call specially at Wantage Road to pick up. Mr. Short to instruct Guard.

9.30 a.m. Tetbury to Kemble.

To be formed with 3 Coaches. Mr. Donnithorne to arrange. Conveys Westonbirt Collegians.

8.55 a.m. Cheltenham to Swindon.

To be strengthened with 2 Thirds X extra rear from Cheltenham. Mr. Short to arrange.
Load : 7 Paddington.

Will convey collegians as shewn in Manuscript Notice.

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Working Time Table Reprints

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SATURDAY, 3rd APRIL

**DUPLICATION OF PASSENGER TRAINS, ETC.
GLOUCESTER AND CHALFORD SERVICES.**

7⁴⁰ a.m. Gloucester to Chalford.

Second Trailer to commence with this service. Mr. Hanley to arrange.

10.10 a.m. Gloucester Central to Chalford.

To convey Third or Trailer extra. To be detached at Stroud and returned to Gloucester Central strengthening 1.58 p.m. Chalford to Gloucester Central.

Messrs. Hanley and Hough to arrange.

12.50 p.m. Chalford to Gloucester Central.

To be strengthened with Chalford spare Trailer. Load : 3 Trailers.

Mr. Ollerenshaw, Chalford, to arrange.

1.58 p.m. Chalford to Gloucester Central.

To convey Trailer extra Stroud to Gloucester Central. Load : 3.

6¹⁵ p.m. Chalford to Gloucester.

To follow return excursion Swindon to Gloucester.

FOOTBALL AT SWINDON

Excursion—Gloucester to Swindon

"B" Head Code.

Forward.	Arr.	Dep.	Return.	Arr.	Dep.
	P.M.	P.M.		P.M.	P.M.
Gloucester Central	—	12 50	Swindon Jct.	—	5 40
Standish Jct.		1/ 1	Loco Yard	5 59	5/42 6 2
Stonehouse (Burdett Rd.)	1 4	1 5	Kemble	6 14	B 6 16
Stroud	1 10	1 13	Chalford	6 19	6 20
Brimscombe	1 18	1 19	Brimscombe	6 25	6 28
Chalford	1 22	1 23	Stroud	6 33	6 35
Kemble	1 38	1 41	Stonehouse (Burdett Rd.)	6 50	6/38 —
Minety and A.K.	1 49	1 51	Standish Jct.		
Purton	1 58	1 59	Gloucester Central		
Loco Yard		2/ 5			
Swindon Jct.	2 7	—			

Formation : Set No. 5a plus 2 Thirds—6 Coaches (180 tons). **Rolling Stock Control** to arrange.

Note—B. Precede 6¹⁵ p.m. Chalford to Gloucester.

Mr. Pritchard, Kemble, to advise this office by telephone (Ext. 31) details of timekeeping and approximate loading.

12. 5 p.m. Swindon to Kemble. } To be made up to 5 Coaches from Swindon:
1.10 p.m. Kemble to Swindon. }

Special Train—Cirencester Town to Kemble.

	Arr.	Dep.
	P.M.	P.M.
Kemble	—	12 ⁴⁵
Cirencester Town	12 ⁵³	12 58
Kemble	1 6	—

To be worked by Cirencester Branch Engine and Coaches.

Mr. Rose, Cirencester, to arrange.

Passengers connect 1.10 p.m. Kemble to Swindon.

1 10 p.m. Kemble to Cirencester Town.

Not to be mixed. To run 4 minutes later.

5 52 p.m. Swindon to Kemble. } Will be made up to 5 Coaches.
7. 0 p.m. Kemble to Swindon. }

SATURDAY, 3rd APRIL—contd.

FOOTBALL AT SWINDON—contd.

6.50 p.m. Swindon to Cardiff.

Will convey return excursion passengers from Swindon, to connect with special train from Kemble to Cirencester as shewn.

Empty Stock.	Arr. P.M.	Dep. P.M.	Special Train.	Arr. P.M.	Dep. P.M.
Cirencester Town	—	7† 8	Kemble	—	7 25
Kemble	7†16	—	Cirencester Town	7 33	—

Worked with Branch Engine and Coaches. Mr. Rose to arrange.

ALTERED COACH WORKING.

Set No. 5a.

7.15 a.m. Severn Tunnel Junction to Gloucester.
 a12.50 p.m. Excursion Gloucester to Swindon.
 a5.40 p.m. Excursion Swindon to Gloucester.
 a2 Thirds X extra.

5.29 p.m. Gloucester to Chalford. } To be worked with Gloucester spare Trailer.
 6†15 p.m. Chalford to Gloucester. } Mr. Hanley to arrange.

SPECIAL TRAINS—CHELTENHAM AND GLOUCESTER TO WEMBLEY HILL.

"A" Head Code.

Forward.	No. 983. ex Cheltenham		No. 984 ex Gloucester	
	Arr. A.M.	Dep. A.M.	Arr. A.M.	Dep. A.M.
Cheltenham (St. James')	—	10 23		
Lansdown Jct.		R10/26L		
Engine Shed Jct.		10/36		
Gloucester South Jct.		10/38		
Gloucester Central		—		10 53
Standish Jct.		10/48		11/ 6
Stonehouse (Burdett Rd.)	10 52	10 55		—
Stroud	11 1	11 5	11 14	11 19
Kemble	11 26	OW 11 31	11 40	A 11 45
Loco Yard		11/48		12/ 2 P.M.
Wembley Hill		1 53 P.M.	2 13	—

Formation :

Ex Cheltenham. Brake Third, 8 Thirds, Brake Third (Vestibule Stock). Rolling Stock Control to arrange. Load : 10. (Approx. 310 tons.)

Ex Gloucester Central. Brake Third, 4 Thirds, Cafeteria Car 30017, 4 Thirds, Brake Third (Vestibule Stock). Rolling Stock Control to arrange. Load : 10. (Approx. 340 tons.)

Note—A. Tetbury connection.

For details of party reservations see Notice T.83.

SATURDAY, 3rd APRIL—contd.

Special Trains—Cheltenham and Gloucester to Wembley Hill—contd.

Tetbury Connection.

"B" Head Code.

Forward.	Arr. A.M.	Dep. A.M.	Return.	Arr. P.M.	Dep. P.M.
Tetbury	—	11 10	Tetbury	—	8†20
Culkerton	—	11 18	Kemble	8†38	9 5
Rodmarton Platform	—	11 22	Rodmarton Platform	—	9 13
Kemble	11 30	11†42	Culkerton	—	9 17
Tetbury	12† 0	—	Tetbury	9 25	—

Formed with Tetbury Branch Engine and Coaches.

Messrs. Donnithorne and Pritchard to arrange.

10.30 a.m. Kemble to Tetbury.

Not to be mixed. To leave Culkerton at 10.48 a.m., Tetbury arr. 10.56 a.m.

12.10 p.m. Tetbury to Kemble.

Not to be mixed.

RETURN EXCURSIONS—WEMBLEY HILL TO CHELTENHAM AND GLOUCESTER.

"A" Head Code.

Return.	No. 983 To Cheltenham		No. 984 To Gloucester	
	Arr. P.M.	Dep. P.M.	Arr. P.M.	Dep. P.M.
Wembley Hill	—	5 30	—	6 30
Loco Yard		7/42		8/37 A
Kemble	7 59 OW	8 4	8 56	9 2
Stroud	8 23	8 26	9 25	9 30
Stonehouse (Burdett Rd.)	8 31	8 33	—	—
Standish Jct.		8/36		9/39
Gloucester South Jct.		8/45		—
Engine Shed Jct.		8/47		—
Lansdown Jct.		8/56		—
Cheltenham (St. James')	9 0	—		—
Gloucester Central	—	—	9 52	—

Note—A. Precede 8.35 p.m. Swindon to Minety.

9.0 p.m. Chalford to Gloucester.

It is important this Railcar works punctually to avoid delay to return excursion to Gloucester Central.

Cheltenham, Gloucester, Stroud and Kemble to advise this office by telephone (Extn. 31) details of timekeeping of forward and return trains.

SPECIAL 3.W.1—DEVYNOK TO CARLISLE.

"A" Head Code.

	Arr. A.M.	Dep. A.M.
Moorfields		10/54
Barton Curve Junction	10 57 EG	11 7
Barrs Court Jct.		11/10

Load : 7.

SUNDAY, 4th APRIL

OCCUPATION OF THE SEVERN TUNNEL.

The Engineering Department will have occupation of the Severn Tunnel and Passenger Trains will be diverted and arrangements apply as shown in Notice G.259. Particulars of the running of diverted trains are shown in the Service Time Tables.

HALF-DAY EXCURSION—PADDINGTON TO CHELTENHAM.

"A" Head Code.

Forward.	Arr.	Dep.	Return.	Arr.	Dep.
	A.M.	A.M.		P.M.	P.M.
Swindon	11 13	11 20	Cheltenham (St. James')	—	7 13
Loco Yard	11 22		Lansdown Jct.	R7/16L	
Kemble	11 39	11 42	Gloucester Central	7 30 N	7 39
	P.M.	P.M.	Standish Jct.	7/51	
Stroud	12 1	12 4	Stroud	7 59	8 2
Standish Jct.	12/12		Kemble	8 22	8 27
Gloucester Central	12 25 N	12 35	Loco Yard	8/46	
Lansdown Jct.	12/49		Swindon Jct.	8-48	9 2
Cheltenham (St. James')	12 52	—			

Load : 8. (Approx. 250 tons.) Brake Third X, 3 Thirds X, Buffet Car, 2 Thirds X, Brake Third X.

Note—N. Reverse.

Kemble, Stroud and Gloucester to advise this office by telephone details of timekeeping.

Bookings from and to Cirencester by this train. Passengers from Cirencester to Gloucester and Cheltenham return by 6.30 p.m. Cheltenham to Paddington (Ordinary) and connecting Branch service.

Cirencester Connection.

"B" Head Code.

Forward.	Arr.	Dep.	Return.	Arr.	Dep.
	A.M.	A.M.		P.M.	P.M.
Cirencester Town	—	11 28	Cirencester Town	—	8 3
Kemble	11 36	11 47	Kemble	8 11	8 15
Cirencester Town	11 55	—	Cirencester Town	8 23	—

Worked with Cirencester Branch Engine and Coaches.

Mr. Rose to arrange.

Passengers returning to Cirencester Town to travel by 6.30 p.m. Cheltenham to Paddington (Ordinary).

8.25 p.m. Cirencester Town to Kemble.

To be retimed to leave at 8.28 p.m.

HALF-DAY EXCURSION—CARDIFF TO PAIGNTON.

"A" Head Code.

Forward.	Arr.	Dep.
	A.M.	A.M.
Beachley Jct.	10/26	
Lydney M.L.	10/36	
Otters Pool Jct.	CS	
Severn Bridge	CS	
Sharpness	C10/47S	
Berkeley Loop Jct.	C10/55S	
Berkeley Road South Jct.	10/59	

Load : 10. (Approx. 300 tons.)

Lydney and Berkeley Loop Junction to advise this office (Extn. 31) details of timekeeping.

TUESDAY, 6th APRIL

TRACK TESTING TRIALS.

Experimental Car No. 139—Swindon to Gloucester and back.

Experimental Car No. 139 will work from Swindon to Gloucester and back as under:—

Forward—10.45 a.m. Paddington to Cheltenham (between Swindon and Gloucester).

Return—3.50 p.m. Cheltenham to Paddington (between Gloucester and Swindon).

Car to be turned at Gloucester via Engine Shed Junction and Gloucester South Junction.

Mr. Hanley to arrange.

The car must run at the **extreme rear** of the train in each case formed with the observation end trailing and must be coupled to the train under the direction of a member of the Chief Mechanical Engineer's Staff travelling in the car.

The **gangways must not be coupled or blank doors fitted at either end. A blank door must be fitted at the rear end of the vehicle immediately in front of the car.**

In no circumstances must any vehicle of any description be attached in rear of Experimental Car No. 139.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THESE TRAINS SHALL HAVE A CLEAR RUN AND WORK PUNCTUALLY. ALL CONCERNED TO GIVE THE WORKING SPECIAL ATTENTION.

DUPLICATION OF PASSENGER TRAINS, ETC.

7.10 a.m. Cheltenham to Paddington.

To call specially at Shrivenham to pick up. **Mr. Short** to instruct Guard.

8.0 a.m. Cheltenham to Paddington.

Will convey Vestibule Third extra Cheltenham to Paddington (front from Cheltenham).

Mr. Short to arrange.

Sir Thomas Rich's School party joining at Gloucester.

WEDNESDAY, 7th APRIL

SCHOOLS SPECIAL—CHELTENHAM TO PADDINGTON.

"A" Head Code.

	Arr.	Dep.
	A.M.	A.M.
Cheltenham (St. James') ..	—	8 43
Cheltenham (Malvern Rd.) ..	8 45	8 47
Lansdown Jct.	R8/48L	
Engine Shed Jct.		8/58
Gloucester South Jct.		9/ 0
Standish Jct.		9/ 9
Stonehouse (Burdett Rd.) ..		9/14
Stroud		9/19
Kemble	9 35	OW 9 40
Loco Yard		9/55
Paddington	11 35	—

Formation : Brake Third X, 6 Thirds X, Brake Third X.

Load : 8. (Approx. 250 tons.)

Will convey collegians as shewn in Manuscript Notice, train will call at Swindon, arr. 9.57 a.m. and Reading (General) arr. 10.45 a.m.

Gloucester South Junction, Stroud and Kemble to advise this office by telephone details of timekeeping.

THURSDAY, 8th APRIL

DUPLICATION OF PASSENGER TRAINS, ETC.

9.35 a.m. Swansea (High St.) to Birmingham (Snow Hill).

Will call specially at Stratford-upon-Avon Race Course platform to set down.

Mr. Short, Cheltenham, to instruct Driver and remind Guard.

FRIDAY, 9th APRIL

DUPLICATION OF PASSENGER TRAINS, ETC.

Furlough Special, 9.F.1—Chepstow to Gloucester.

Formation : Brake Third X, 4 Thirds X (Paddington), 3 Thirds X, Brake Third X (Gloucester). Load : 9.

Will convey 26 Reading, 219 London, 188 L.M.R. line via Gloucester.

Will run in under-mentioned times :—

	Arr.	Dep.
	A.M.	A.M.
Beachley Jct.	8 52	8/14
Gloucester Central		—

8.55 a.m. Cheltenham to Swindon.

Will be extended from Swindon to Paddington in relief of 7.50 a.m. Taunton at times shewn in Special Traffic Notice, calling at Reading (General).

Will be load 10 from Gloucester.

To convey Brake Third X and 4 Thirds X extra, front from Gloucester (off Special Chepstow to Gloucester). Mr. Hanley to arrange.

SATURDAY, 10th APRIL

DUPLICATION OF PASSENGER TRAINS, ETC.

GLOUCESTER AND CHALFORD SERVICES.

7.40 a.m. Gloucester to Chalford.

Second Trailer to commence with this service. Mr. Hanley to arrange.

10.10 a.m. Gloucester Central to Chalford.

To convey Third or Trailer extra. To be detached at Stroud and returned to Gloucester Central strengthening 1.58 p.m. Chalford to Gloucester Central.

Messrs. Hanley and Hough to arrange.

12.50 p.m. Chalford to Gloucester Central.

To be strengthened with Chalford spare Trailer. Load : 3 Trailers.

Mr. Ollerenshaw, Chalford, to arrange.

1.58 p.m. Chalford to Gloucester Central.

To convey Trailer extra Stroud to Gloucester Central. Load : 3.

SATURDAY, 10th APRIL—contd.**DUPLICATION OF PASSENGER TRAINS, ETC.—contd.****12.24 a.m. (Parcels) Swindon to Swansea.**

It is most important that this train works punctually. All concerned to give the matter special attention.

7.10 a.m. Cheltenham to Paddington.

To be strengthened with a Vestibule Third extra (rear from Cheltenham). **Mr. Short** to arrange.

Will convey party traffic joining at Kemble. Will also call additionally at **Wantage Road** to pick up. **Mr. Short** to instruct Guard.

8.0 a.m. Cheltenham to Paddington.

To be strengthened with a Vestibule Third extra Cheltenham to Paddington (front from Cheltenham). **Mr. Short** to arrange.

Will convey party traffic ex Stroud.

6.50 p.m. Neyland to Paddington.

Will be divided.

First part, Swansea to Paddington, formed with 9.10 p.m. Swansea to Cardiff. Will run in times for 10.40 p.m. Cardiff to Paddington (via Gloucester) as shewn in Service Timetables, calling at Gloucester Central, Swindon, Didcot and Reading (General).

Load : 12. (Including regular Vans.)

If assistance required to be provided from Gloucester to Swindon. Motive Power Dept. to arrange.

Second part. Ordinary train, calling as booked.

1.0 a.m. Paddington to Swansea.

Will convey 2 Vestibule Thirds Paddington to Gloucester formed rear, for parties alighting at Kemble and Stroud. **Mr. Hanley** to arrange to detach.

HALF-DAY EXCURSION—WOLVERHAMPTON TO CARDIFF.

"A" Head Code.

Forward.	Arr.	Dep.	Return.	Arr.	Dep.
	A.M.	A.M.		P.M.	P.M.
Cheltenham (Malvern Rd.)	11 44	11 47	Beachley Jct.		7/15
Lansdown Jct.		R11/48L	Gloucester Central	7 51	7 56
Gloucester Central	P.M. 12 1	P.M. 12 6	Lansdown Jct.		8/ 9
Beachley Jct.		12/38	Cheltenham (Malvern Rd.)	8 10	8 12

Load : 12.

Bookings will be given from Cheltenham (Malvern Road) and Gloucester Central by this train.

Malvern Road West, Gloucester Central and Woolaston to advise this office (Extn. 31) details of timekeeping.

SUNDAY, 11th APRIL**SUMMER TIME.**

Summer Time will operate from 2.0 a.m. (Greenwich Mean Time) when clocks must be put forward one hour.

The under-mentioned trains will run one hour later than shewn in timetables, so far as this district is concerned.

1.0 a.m. Paddington to Swansea.

1.40 a.m. Crewe to Plymouth.

4.35 a.m. Gloucester to Cheltenham.

6.0 a.m. (Fish) Marston Sidings to Cardiff (General).

All trains which have commenced their journeys before 2.0 a.m. will thereafter run one hour later than that shewn in timetables.

SUNDAY, 11th APRIL—contd.

OCCUPATION OF THE SEVERN TUNNEL.

The Engineering Department will have occupation of the Severn Tunnel, and Passenger Trains will be diverted and arrangements apply as shewn on pages 5 and 6 of Notice G.259. Particulars of the running of diverted trains are shewn in the Service Time Tables.

DUPLICATION OF PASSENGER TRAINS, ETC.

1.40 a.m. Crewe to Plymouth.
3.55 a.m. Fishguard Harbour to Paddington. } Special attention to be given to the working of these trains.

1.0 a.m. Paddington to Swansea.

Will convey 2 Vestibule Thirds rear for detaching at Gloucester.

Special Kemble to Cirencester Town (off 1.0 a.m. Paddington).

Empty Stock.	Arr. A.M.	Dep. A.M.	Special.	Arr. A.M.	Dep. A.M.
Cirencester Town	—	3† 0	Kemble	—	3 22
Kemble	3† 8	—	Cirencester Town	3 30	—

Worked with Cirencester Branch Engine and Coaches.

Mr. Rose to arrange.

HALF-DAY EXCURSION—PADDINGTON TO SWANSEA (HIGH ST.).

“A” Head Code.

	Arr. A.M.	Dep. A.M.
Swindon Jct.	11/21	
Loco Yard	11/23	
Kemble	11/39	
Stroud	11/58	
	P.M.	P.M.
Standish Jct.	12/ 6	
Gloucester Central	12 18	OW 12 23
Beachley Jct.	12/57	

Load : 11.

Return train via Severn Tunnel.

HALF-DAY EXCURSION—WESTON-SUPER-MARE TO ABERDARE.

“A” Head Code.

	Arr. A.M.	Dep. A.M.
Berkeley Road South Jct. ..	11/50	
Berkeley Loop Jct.	C11/54S	
Sharpness	CS	
	P.M.	P.M.
Sharpness South	C12/ 3S	
Severn Bridge	CS	
Otters Pool Jct.	C12/12S	
Lydney M.L.	12/13	
Beachley Jct.	12/23	

Load : 8. (Approx. 250 tons.)

Berkeley Loop Junction and Lydney to advise this office details of timekeeping by telephone (Extn. 31).

STRENGTHENING OF TRAINS.**(Thirds unless otherwise shewn.)****(Additional to strengthening shewn in Coach Working Programme.)**

	Friday, 2nd and 9th April	Saturday, 3rd April	Saturday, 10th April
7.10 a.m. Cheltenham to Paddington	—	—	1X†
8. 0 a.m. Cheltenham to Paddington	—	1X	1X†
11.30 a.m. Cheltenham to Paddington	1X	1X	1X
12.30 p.m. Cheltenham to Cardiff	—	1X	1X
2.40 p.m. Gloucester to Swindon	1X	1X	1X

†Vestibule Third.

The Weekly Notice of Extra Trains, etc., must not be acknowledged. If notice not received by 6.0 p.m. Monday a wire to be sent this office as follows:—"Nile Weekly"

Gloucester, 26th March, 1954.

R. H. B. NICHOLLS,
District Operating Superintendent.