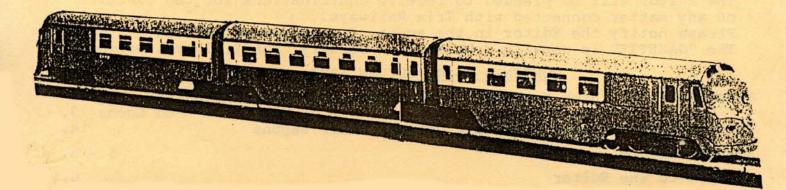
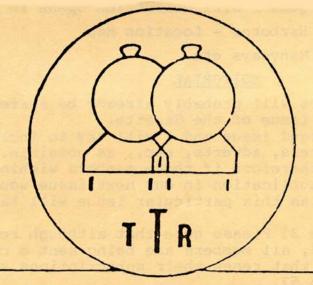
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EDITORIAL

As most of our members will probably already be aware of - our next issue will be the 50th issue of the Gazette.

This will be an enlarged issue and I will try to include as many

members' articles, letters, adverts, etc., as possible.

I would be grateful therefore if those members wishing to send an article or advert for publication in our next issue would send them in to me by mid-December, as this particular issue will take longer to prepare.

SUBSCRIPTIONS (see page 3) Please note that although re-newals were due from this issue (No.49), all members are being sent a copy of this issue and only those members that renew their subscriptions will be entitled to receive issues 50 to 52.

NEXT ISSUE - OUR 50th - JANUARY 1988.

NEW MEMBERS WHO HAVE RECENTLY JOINED THE ASSOCIATION.

No.419 G.C.Richards,

No.420 A.Simpson,

No.421 C.J.Holyhead,

No.422 J. Hughes,

No.423 A.G. Hold,

No.424 S.A.Barnes,

Glenfield, LEICESTER,

PENN, Bucks, I

Bermondsey, LONDON,

Blurton, STOKE-ON-TRENT,

Roker, SUNDERLAND,

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No.429 R.H.Moyer,

STEVENAGE, Herts,

2394 HA HAZERSWONDE, HOLLAND.

, WADHURST, East Sussex,

SAN JOSE, Ca., 95129, U.S.A.

T.T.R. GAZETTE SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR Nos. 49 - 52.

A reminder that subscriptions were due from this issue of the Gazette.

Our next issue will be an enlarged "50th" issue of the Gazette which will include an article and photos of a pre-war introduction to Trix Twin Railways kindly sent in by our member David Wright of Bournemouth.

I hope you will continue your membership and look forward to receiving your remittance of £5.

As you are no doubt aware spare parts are very costly to produce, and donations from members however modest, are always gratefully received and acknowledged in the Gazette.

Our first reproduction private owner wagon is due at the end of the year

and we have had to pay a substantial deposit on this.

One of our members, Richard Spaul, has re-newed his subscription and writes - "I enjoy the articles and other snippets which make the Gazette lively reading. My only regret is that I am rarely able to come to any Get-togethers, the last being the celebrations at Northampton which was profitable for me and put faces to names in the magazine".

If you have already renewed recently, please ignore this reminder.

Allan Hinchliffe.

Donations have recently been gratefully received from:R.Rimmer (Southport), Jeff Carpenter (Bishops Stortford), Arthur Jones
(Thorne, Doncaster), R.A.C.Reincke (London), C.C. Thornburn (Birmingham),
Arthur Mc.Guiness (Dartford), A.Lewis (Chippenham), Klaus Baetke
(Karlsruhe, West Germany), Dixon Upcott (North Harrow), A. Matthewman
(Isle of Man), Geoff Richards (Leicester), J.G.Wood (Harpenden),
A.H. Cassidy (Twickenham), David Holt (Wolverhampton), Brian Corbett
(Andover), F.Chilmaid (Littlehampton), Richard Lloyd (Luton), Kivoli Model
Railway Centre (Bala, N. Wales).

Payment from Overseas members.

Please use Eurocheque, I.M.O's or Bank Draft drawn in & Sterling on a U.K. Bank, as Bank charges can be up to &4 to cash cheques, not drawn on a U.K. Bank.

BACK Nos' of GAZETTES 18, 27 & 33.

Our member Geoff Richards of Leicester has kindly printed and donated the above "Gazettes". These are available price 75p each from Allan Hinchliffe.

Illustrations used in this Gazette have been received from Klaus Baetke (Karlsruhe), Henri Marthaler (Moutler) and Simon Haley (Sowerby Bridge). The German illustrations are from the 1939-40 Trix Catalogue. The Trix Construction illustration is from an early box lid.

A SHORT HISTORY OF TRIX WITH ILLUSTRATIONS.

From time to time many of our new members have on joining the Association, enquired about the History and general outline of what was available on Trix Model Railways.

Allan Hinchliffe and Jim Joyce have put together various articles which have been published in the Model Railway News, Model Trains and Railway Modeller. It contains over forty illustrations. A4 size. Available price £1.00 post free from A.Hinchliffe, Birkby, HUDDERSFIELD.

REPAIRS TO LOCOS.

J. & M. Model Railways, 146a High Street, MALDON, Essex.

The above firm can carry out repairs and rewinds to Armatures and Reverse Coils of TTR locos. Tel: 0621 - 53959.
Please mention the Trix Association.

<u>WAGON BOXES</u> are available from David Johnson, Harborne, BIRMINGHAM,

TRIX TWIN RAILWAY SPARE PARTS Revised list October. These parts are available as a general help to keep the older locos operating.

Carbon Brushes AC with springs 50p per pair. Carbon Brushes DC for "Britannia" etc. 60p per pair.

Tender Shoes for AC and DC locos £1 per pair.

Centre Shoe retaining channels £1 each.

Loco Buffers 60p for 4. Reverse Mech. cast Ratchet Wheels 50p each.

Loco weight Springs for British 0-4-0 locos 30p each.

Cast loco Weights £1.50 each.

50p each. Tinplate Buffer Beam plates for

Loco Axles, 2.5mm or 3.0mm price 75p each.

Nylon Bushes for fitting loco wheels to axles 3mm. £1 per 10. Miniature Bulbs for Yard Lamps and scale coaches etc. £1 per 4.

Channel Springs for the Tension of pre-war type rolling stock, just cut "one" end to the required length and bend over with pliers, suitable for 4 wheel trucks and bogie stock 20p per 5.

Coupling Screws for plastic coaches and wagons 30p per pkt. Plain Station Filler Panels for No.22 Awning Platform 20p per pair.

Miniature Colour Posters suitable for the above 30p per sheet.

Tinplate metal "End Caps" specially made in Australia for the Association for Tinplate Tank Wagons price £1.25 each.

TTR 1959 Reproduction Catalogue £1.50 each.

Please note: Loco Wheels, Standard Shoes and pre-war Cast Couplings, Nylon Reduction Gears and Wire Hooks are OUT OF STOCK.

By arrangement with Motorail of London I can supply cast Crane Hooks for the TTR 615 Crane truck wagon and the TTR 715 Station Platform Craneprice 30p each.

Birkby, The above are available from Allan Hinchliffe, HUDDERSFIELD. Please allow a little towards postage, an S.A.E. for small items.

PRIVATE OWNER WAGONS E.H. SWIFT. tinplate Bodies.

Would members please forward their wagon underframe chassis to Allan Hinchliffe's address, all the underframes will be taken to have the SWIFT Bodies fitted to the underframe. They can be either Pre-war or Post-war British tinplate underframe (short wheelbase) type. Please fix selfadhesive label in the centre of the chassis with your name and town written on, to ensure that you receive your own chassis back.

The price will be £5 each which includes fitting of the chassis these will be riveted on, no work will be done on the chassis so if it is paint chipped it will return in the same condition. The price will be only £4 each for the members who enclosed a deposit a while ago. This was to help finance the project.

The colour of the wagon body will be Brown and lettered off-white, I

visited the local reference library to check on this.

If the above wagon body is successful others will be produced, it is not intended to produce any original Trix wagons with similar names. Priority will be given to members who have sent deposits but new members are welcome to forward a chassis and £5, we should be able to supply everyone, order more than one if you wish.

Please Note: Tabs will not be used to fit the body to the chassis as the tooling for this would be far too expensive.

Chassis for Overseas members.

I can supply a limited number of chassis underframes, please forward £2 extra if you are unable to forward a chassis underframe.

LILIPUT BRITISH LOCOS A3 and A4.

Mr Ernest Rozsa has sent a letter saying that for the British Locos A3 and A4, only a few spares will be available such as superstructures, couplings, cylinder blocks and loco body fittings.

KIVOLI CENTRE, 1 & 4 STATION YARD, BALA, GWYNEDD, NORTH WALES.

A D V E R T I S E M E N T S

FOR SALE (1) Mint, in original box BR Compound Loco 41168 (F9) Die Cast Tender DC 4-4-0 Black, £65.00 or near offer. (2) Mint, in original box BP Hunt Loco Black / Green Orange lining (D9) Metal Tender 4-4-0 DC, £55.00 or near offer.

Watford, Herts. Tel: 0923 -A.S.Gould,

FOR SALE Quantity Trix Fibre based track, some boxed, including 80 straights, 30 short straights (½ & ½), 8 points (inc.4 Universal - some electrically operated) & miscellaneous curves. £20 plus carriage or deliver to Birmingham meeting 31st October. WANTED Trix "Table Top".

Ian Paterson,

Scunthorpe, S. Humberside,

Tel: 0724

FOR SALE LMS Suburban coaches £7 each; Sub.van LMS £7; Crane truck set £7.50; scale restaurant car BR boxed £5 all V.G.C. Black Southern 0-4-0 tender loco, scratched £12.50; LNER 0-4-0 loco body 4472 & tender, tatty pre-war £2.50; Green Southern 0-4-0 loco & tender-loco body restored £35; Permanent switch red, boxed 50p each or make me an offer. I have 1611 Weltrol wagon without load, boxed V.G.C. £4; Goods Brake with light, boxed V.G.C. £5; post-war points various. J.Carpenter Tel:0279-WANTED Pre-war Southern tank locos and LNER goods tank loco, Diesel Flyer, Continental Pacific, Schools, Britannia Set boxed, Black LNER Hunt and LMS Compound. Nord - anything from a loco body to a boxed set. Large rad. Fibre curves. If anyone can help with these items (Dealers welcome), Bishops Stortford, Herts, please contact Jeff Carpenter, Tel: 0279 -

FOR EXCHANGE One 1925 Hornby O gauge Metropolitan engine in excellent condition, for one Trix Twin Coronation Scot in presentation box. Harkaway, Victoria 3806, AUSTRALIA. David Mewse,

WANTED/FOR SALE My spare Elevator Conveyor is in need of restoration. Requires motor (convert surplus loco motor), vertical shaft and worm gears, 2 nylon pinions and conveyor end support pylon. Also track locating base has been cut off main hopper casting. If above parts are not forthcoming I will sell for £30. Brian Corbett. Andover, Hants, Tel: 0264 -

WANTED 4/536 LNER Hunt class 4-4-0 loco & tender, 2/536 LMS Compound 4-4-0 loco & tender, 2/520 LMS Passenger loco & tender, 4/520 LNER Passenger loco & tender, 2/525 LMS loco & tender, 4/525 LNER loco & tender (goods), 7/530 London Transport, Red and Blue Meteors, 604 P.O. wagon, TRIX, Original TTR Catalogues, also spare parts. Please send list with prices and condition, also differentiate between pre and post war. FOR SALE TRIXBURG - Replica: Interested? Information: Reinhold Schuele, Ontario, CANADA.

Tel: (416)562 WANTED Trix Express Goods Stock 20/61 - 20/70, Also 20/78 series tankers. Post-war loco body 20/52 and/or valve gear (con.rods) to suit 0788 same. Tel: Pete Hislop

WANTED Trix Tank Wagons, Shell red and U.D., nice condition. M.N. Woodley, WESTGATE, Kent. Tel: 0843 -

WANTED Trix 3-rail Fibre based Track. R.J. Vander. WADHURST, E.Sussex,

WANTED TTR Meteor Red and Blue (AC and DC), Southern Electric, American Passenger and Freight car rolling stock. Please forward list with prices and condition.

Günther Krauss,

STUTTGART 70, West Germany.

FOR EXCHANGE 0-4-0 loco & tender LMS Black, Meteor Diesel Set, E.M.1. Bo-Bo Electric, Boxed V.G.Cond. Trix Express 2-car Diesel Flyer. WANTED Post-war Scotsman, Post-war "Pitchley" Hunt Class, Class 5 4-6-0, Britannia 4-6-2. M.Cowtan,

MAIDSTONE, Kent.

Tel: 0622-

(further advert on next page...)

WANTED 1 SR 0-4-0 loco in Pass.Green - without tender, 1 LNER 0-4-0 loco unlined black - without tender, 1 Black Compound Tender in BR "lined", 1 Warship chassis without motor.

M.Renshaw,

SALE, Cheshire,

. Tel: 061-969-

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

After over a decade collecting T.T.R., I wish I could say that it has become easier to acquire those missing items listed in the TRIX catalogues. Thave heard many people say that quality 14volt locos are near impossible to find at any price: Many locos suffer from loss of paint, which

may be due to the paint, its application or an over zealous first owner.

LNER GREEN is the livery, I think is hardest to find in good or better
condition on an AC loco. Which brings me round to restoration of locos...

My view on this subject is if you have a loco which you have managed to mechanically repair (it works:) then why stop there.

The problem arises when a completely restored loco is sold 'as original', most collectors can spot a repaint, but if the paint has been applied years before, that collectors' assessment might not be so accurate.

I have a repainted "Schools Class" which TTRCA member Pete Moore repainted for me. I discovered this loco in terrible condition with no Smoke Deflectors. A pair of Smoke Deflectors being purchased from the Club's spares list, Pete then went ahead and repainted the loco as *3029 "RUGBY". The point I am trying to make is, repaint that loco to please and not deceive:

The collecting of variations of 0-4-0 tender and tank locos and also "HUNT" and "Compounds" do rely on the paint work to give them some rarity, beyond Pre or Post; chassis variations. With pre-war 4-6-2's no such problem exists, a Coronation cannot be a cheap immitation and would be quite acceptable in repaint condition by many collectors searching this most desirable lady.

In closing I am of the opinion that our hobby should be enjoyed and not taken too seriously. When you collect tin trains which were manufactured 30 - 50 years ago the urgency is in the mind.

Pete Hislop.

I read with a sense of loss, the demise of the Kirton-in-Lindsey event. The friendly welcome, the layouts and good selection of Sales will be missed. A personal thank you to Ian and John and all who made such a great day out, a reality.

Pete Hislop.

I have just purchased a black plastic loco which is 0-4-0 German outline with red see-through spoked wheels. It has the same motor as the 'Cadet', but the chassis is about 2" shorter. Can anybody supply me with information as I have never seen one before nor have I seen a picture of one.

Malc. Renshaw,

Sale, Cheshire,

I like to tell you that on June the 13th the Dutch Trix Express Club has held a meeting. A large layout with over 100 wagons and about trains was the whole day operating. A few members had brought with them some Trix Twin material and a great number of books and posters was shown. The idea of a Trix Express module track didn't get enough enthusiastic support, so it has to be withdrawn. Some trains and wagons change from owner and much information was exchanged. The meeting was a nice happening with some new members signing in.

Ronald Geskus,

HOLLAND. Trix Express Club.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS:

F.Chilmaid,

Kingston Gorse, LITTLEHAMPTON, W. Sussex.

Jeff.Carpenter,

BISHOPS STORTFORD, Herts,

R.Tasker.

6.

Mill Lane, STOTFOLD, Bedfordshire.

TRANSATLANTIC TIMBER WAGONS

(Or By Bogie Bolster across the "Pond")

The differences between the TTR British bogie-bolster or timber wagon and the American lumber car are obvious - apart from the inscriptions, the British have buffers, while the Americans have a handbrake and no buffers. They utilised two different body pressings, one for the former with buffer holes, and another for the latter with a handbrake hole. Most wagons fall clearly into one category or the other. However, three post-war varieties exist, forming a transition between the two extremes; they are conveniently tabulated:

| Description | Fleet number(s) found | Bogies |
|--|-----------------------|--|
| (1) British inscription, with buffers, plus hole for handbrake | 58209 | Later type (D), no hook on inner end of frame |
| (2) As above, but with American inscriptions | TT 94621 TT 97834 | do. |
| (3) American inscription, with handbrake, plus holes for buffers | TT 96823 | "Standard" post- war (C), with hock on inner end |

It seems evident that these varieties arose through the bogie-bolster design being common to both the British and American ranges (the only one to be so, in fact), and therefore providing scope for economy by enabling a single pressing to be used instead of two separate ones as previously. This third pressing had both sorts of hole: if buffers were fitted, it would go to the British paint-shop, producing No.1 above, whereas with a handbrake, No.3 would emerge from the American side. The "oddball" No.2, a real hybrid', presumably came about through diversion from the British body-shop to the American paint-line: maybe accidentally, at a time of heavy demand for American cars; or maybe uncaringly, if standards were slipping or supervision was slack - who knows?

At any rate, the examples seen appear genuine enough, and indeed would be rather difficult or impossible - besides pointless - to fake.

C.C. Thornburn. March '87.

THE KERI COLLECTION OPENS IN LONDON.

The Keri Collection was officially opened on 20th September.

Our member Dixon Upcott has put on a display of over 50 Trains at the London Toy and Model Museum, 21 Craven Hill, London W2 3EN.

Open Tues - Sat 10am - 5.30pm. Sun 11am - 7.30pm.

The special display of Trix which was opened by Dixons daughter continues until August 1988 and is well worth a visit.

(More details next issue of the Gazette.)

Allan Hinchliffe.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 3.00 pm

Saturday 31st October 1987

At St Faith & St Lawrence Church Hall, Croftdown Road, Harborne, Birmingham.

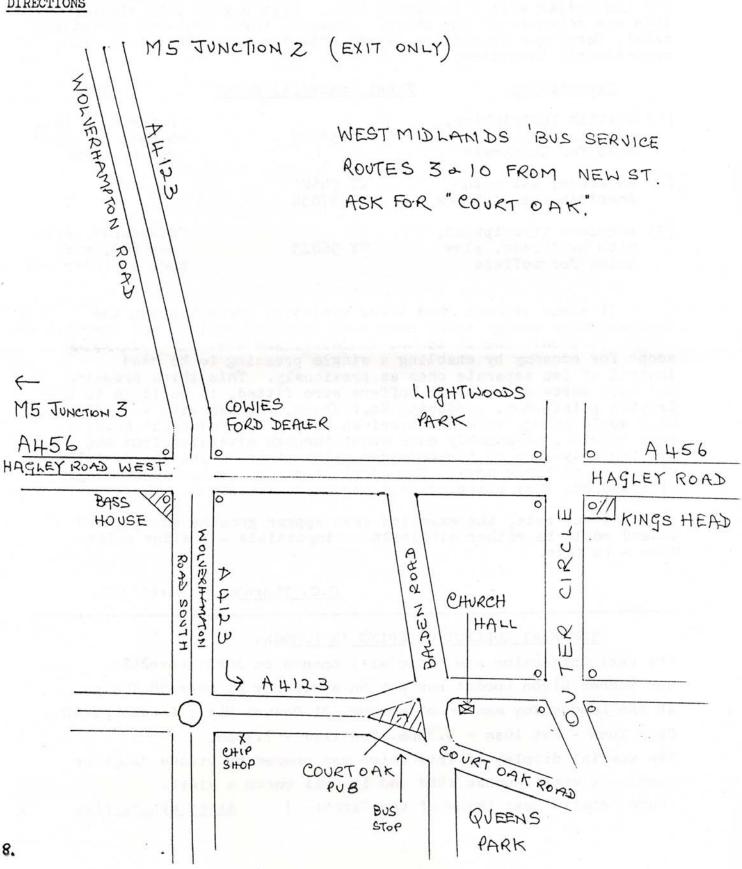
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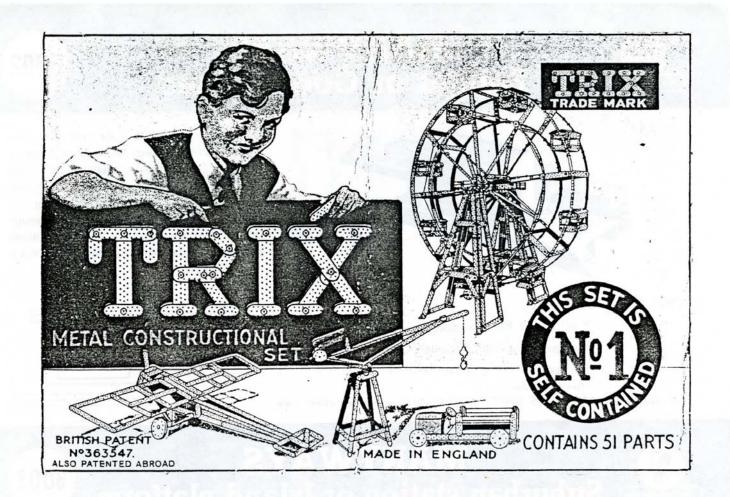
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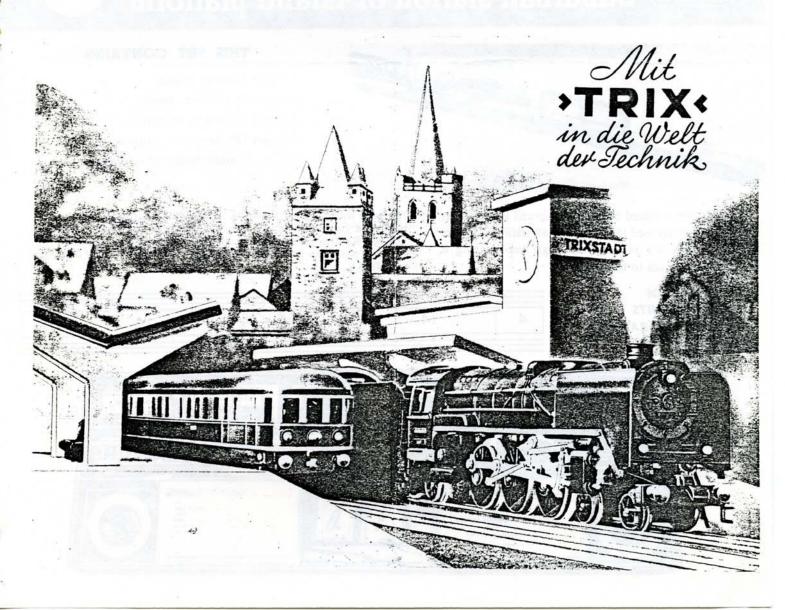
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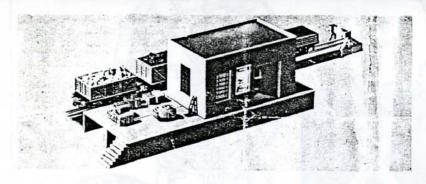
DIRECTIONS







MANYWAYS Freight or Goods Shed



This Goods Station is of the small type often found adjoining country and wayside passenger stations. Goods Sheds are small plain buildings on a loading bank made from two double platforms (No. 14) as shown in the plan. A goods line should not form part of a through track. Diagrams showing suitable positions are given in the TRIX PERMANENT WAY MANUAL.

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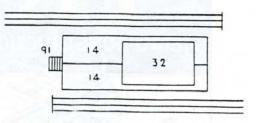
2 of part 14 Platform double

1 of part 32 Goods Shed and Office

1 of part 91 Steps up to platforms

Made in England

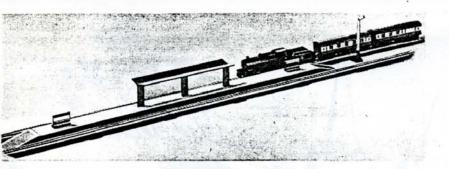
For details of MANYWAYS UNITS available separately see other side





MANYWAYS Suburban station or Island platform

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THIS SET CONTAINS

2 of part 4 Ramp, double

2 of part 14 Platform, double

2 of part 22 Awning Platform

2 of part 142 Seat with nameboard.
Station names for nameboard.

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This platform is placed between the Up and Down tracks and is frequently used that way in small stations. Where passing loops are required on single line running it enables both roads to be served. The plan shows how, by placing two awning platforms (22) back to back, the full width of the double ptatforms (14) is maintained. Double Ramps (4) are placed at either end. Diagrams showing suitable positions are given in the TRIX PERMANENT WAY MANUAL.

FOR DETAILS OF MANYWAYS UNITS AVAILABLE SEPARATELY SEE OTHER SIDE

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| | 17 | 22 | 14 |

