HAVERHILL AT WORK

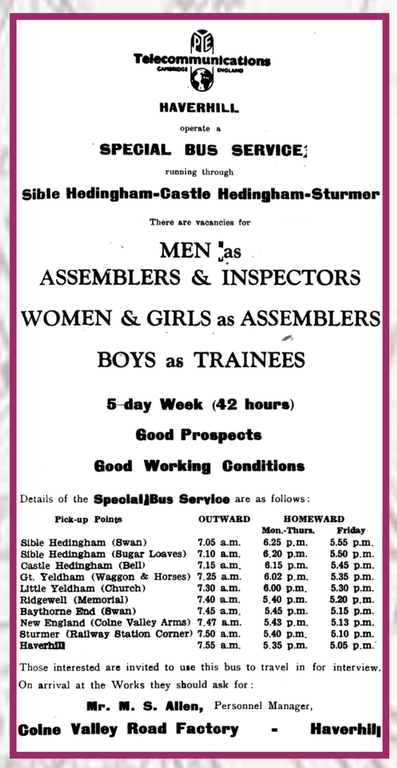
Pye Telecommunications

In 1944 Pye of Cambridge formed a specialist division called Pye Telecommunications Ltd to design and produce radio communications equipment for commercial, business, industrial, police and Government purposes. In 1954 Pye Telecom opened a small operation in the former Gurteen factory building in Lordscroft Lane. In 1955 PTL decided to enter the microwave link business. Over the next 20 years a dedicated microwave design laboratory developed equipment which was manufactured at a new factory in Haverhill.



In 1957 a purpose built factory opened in Colne Valley Road

"The company used to run special works buses to transport employees to the factory."



Telecommunications
CAMBRIDGE ENGLAND

HAVERHILL

operate a

SPECIAL BUS SERVICE

running through

Sible Hedingham-Castle Hedingham-Sturmer

There are vacancies for

MEN as
ASSEMBLERS & INSPECTORS

WOMEN & GIRLS as ASSEMBLERS

BOYS as TRAINEES

5-day Week (42 hours)

Good Prospects

Good Working Conditions

Details of the **Special Bus Service** are as follows:

Pick-up Points	OUTWARD	HOMEWARD Mon.-Thurs.	HOMEWARD Friday
Sible Hedingham (Swan)	7.05 a.m.	6.25 p.m.	5.55 p.m.
Sible Hedingham (Sugar Loaves)	7.10 a.m.	6.20 p.m.	5.50 p.m.
Castle Hedingham (Bell)	7.15 a.m.	6.15 p.m.	5.45 p.m.
Gt. Yeldham (Waggon & Horses)	7.25 a.m.	6.02 p.m.	5.35 p.m.
Little Yeldham (Church)	7.30 a.m.	6.00 p.m.	5.30 p.m.
Ridgewell (Memorial)	7.40 a.m.	5.40 p.m.	5.20 p.m.
Baythorne End (Swan)	7.45 a.m.	5.45 p.m.	5.15 p.m.
New England (Colne Valley Arms)	7.47 a.m.	5.43 p.m.	5.13 p.m.
Sturmer (Railway Station Corner)	7.50 a.m.	5.40 p.m.	5.10 p.m.
Haverhill	7.55 a.m.	5.35 p.m.	5.05 p.m.

Those interested are invited to use this bus to travel in for interview.
On arrival at the Works they should ask for:

Mr. M. S. Allen, Personnel Manager,

Colne Valley Road Factory - Haverhill



Equipment designed in Cambridge and components brought from there to Haverhill

Inspection and Testing of drawer units to ensure requirements were met

A completed drawer unit with many individual components required

Assembly lines: "*Our girls would solder components within the drawer units and the men would wire the cabinets.*"



Lordscroft Lane 1958: "*the whole factory was flooded along with the High Street damaging much of the equipment.*"



A cabinet, with several drawer units fitted in racks: typical of many installations including the Instrument Landing Systems made at Lordscroft Lane



Pyes also made a device for tanks to keep their gun on target, even when going over rough ground. Mike Bacon recalls visiting Salisbury Plain for tank trials.

Haverhill Family History Group

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