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WORLD'S SMALLEST TRAIN DEMOBLED

Before the war, when these shots were taken, the smallest railway in the world spent most of its busy days carrying holiday makers. War gave the midget Romney-Hythe express a coat of armour plate for anti-invasion patrol. It's freight was undersea Plute pipeline. Now it's all over, back into service comes the Bluecoaster Hurricane Express, demobbed by the War Office and once again on the look-out for a load of passengers.

Just in time to make the world's smallest train comes Pathe's biggest cameraman Ken Gordon. On this railway you have to be the right shape to get in. If you're stoker on this trip, you bring the kitchen shovel. When the heat's on it's all aboard and we're off on the Romney-Hythe and Dymchurch Line.

Charging along like a toy train on the drawing room carpet the Lilliputian loco sways on fifteen-inch tracks - a quarter the size of the normal gauge.

First stage to Journey's End is Hythe Station. Reception committee comprised the Mayor of Hythe and his brother Mayor from Romney. Together they launch the midget train on a giant post-war assignment.