

SCHOOLBOYS 1875-1950 GET TOGETHER

15,000 schoolboys - led by some youngsters of the 1880 class - invade London on the opening day of the schoolboys' own exhibition. First stop is at autographs corner, where Group Captain Donaldson - famed jet pilot - heads a parade of war-time heroes. Also drawing large crowds is a miniature model of a coal mine - complete with actual size drill and representatives of King Coal.

The Army has laid on a war in miniature. The boys are able to go into action on a replica of the landscape range, used for training crack marksmen at the Hythe school of marketry. Here is where that story about a field-marshal's baton is proved true - or false.

Other working models include a "make-believe" cycle race. This is where the phrase "getting-nowhere-fast" came from. It's all done on rollers.

Cycles and motorcars, they are all there, with a thousand other exhibits, in the biggest and best show since last year. To round it off, join a trip back to your youth on a magnificent, giant-sized model railway.

Final comment from a youngster: "It's a smashing show but they ought to keep the fathers and grandfathers out."