

WAR DISABLED EX-SERVICE MEN'S EXHIBITION

5000 men contribute to this year's show.

More than 5,000 ex-soldiers, sailors and airmen from all parts of the country, many of whom have lost an arm or a leg, or who are blind, are contributing to this year's War Disabled Ex-Service Men's Exhibition and Sale of Work, which opens at the Lord Roberts Workshops on 4th November and will continue until 15th November, at 118-122 Brompton Road, London, S.W.3.

The goods on show will range from articles of furniture to basketware, lacquer and hand-painted work, painted fabrics, knitted, woollen, plastic and leather goods, embroidery, hand-woven tweeds and miscellaneous fancy goods.

This is the 26th annual sale, although the original disabled ex-service men's factory was started more than fifty years ago, and many of the organisations taking part in the Exhibition were set up during and after the Great War for the sole purpose of training and finding employment for men and women whose war injuries prevented them from training and finding normal full employment. Today there are special factories all over the country, while many other disabled men work in their homes, and their fine craftsmanship and skill has been admired all over the world.

Members of the Royal Family habitually commend this good cause to public support in the most practical way by buying some of their own Christmas presents when they visit the Exhibition. The Exhibition has, in fact, become a firmly established and popular pre-Christmas engagement not only with Londoners, but with many visitors to London, and the organisers are hopeful that this year the support will ensure a record sale.

Most of the organisations responsible for the training and employment of the country's war-disabled will be taking part including the British Legion, the Cambrian Factory, the Church Army Disabled Ex-Service Men's Industries, the Disabled Soldiers Embroidery Industry, the Horsham Weavers, the Forces Help Society and Lord Roberts Workshops, the Naval Home Industry, Painted Fabrics Ltd., the Sailors and Solders Home, Eastbourne, the Eastbourne Knitters, the Union of Polish War Disabled Ex-Servicemen, St. Dunstan's, the Star and Garter Home and the War Pensioners' Homecrafts Service.

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