

TOY FAIR:

To Park Lane House comes a large lorry with a small load - two important-looking boxes with very attractive contents. One is brand new and the other is five-years-old - and until they start moving it's difficult to see which is which! They're on their way to the fair organized by the biggest toy-making firm in the world.

Star turn of the model aircraft section is a miniature of the Bristol Britannia - the world-famous "Whispering Giant" displayed on a model of the London Airport terminal. A model aircraft carrier features the combat planes.

Plenty for the girls, too - including one Mother would definitely approve of, and would probably want to use herself. Come to mention, it, Father wouldn't be able to keep his hands off this one.

Toys are a big industry in Britain - both for home consumption and for export - and this one firm accounts for a third of the total output. Most popular attraction in the show is the smallest electric railway in the world, with a track gauge of less than half an inch, and to a scale of three millimetres to the foot.

Talking of trains, is this one house-trained?