

WHAT A TREAT!

For one hundred and eighty children at Norwood Homes it was the big day of the summer. They were going to Brighton for the day, and going in style, in short, by taxi,. Or rather, by 60 taxis. For the last twelve months the drivers have been raising the money and with a little help from the Variety Club, the budget was balanced. The unusual cavalcade of 60 taxis passed Gatwick Airport, heading for the coast.

Three kiddies in every taxi, in the charge of a grownup, were soon by the seaside and for the rest of the day had the time of their lives - no trouble at all. The youngsters had already had dinner, and they had so much energy it almost made people tired to watch them. But the taxi drivers all turned themselves into uncles for a day. The time just flew by till they were all ready for tea. And what a spread was waiting for them at Hove Town Hall. And there to make sure of a good time all round was Frankie Vaughan. He's always a favourite.

Popular comedian Roy Castle was in big demand. When everybody had an autograph the day wasn't over, not by a long chalk. It was helter-skelter, back to the funfair.

Some of the poor taxi drivers were exhausted by this time, but for them too it was a day to remember. They've got a whole year to get their strength back.