

New Dinky Toys and Supertoys

A Variety of Fascinating Miniatures

TRACTORS are steadily increasing in numbers in the countryside, where they are taking over more and more of the work formerly done by horses. They haul reapers, cultivators and other agricultural implements, and they are becoming of greater importance than ever as we struggle towards recovery



Massey-Harris Farm Tractor, No. 27a.

in the world food production drive. The tractor is therefore a very suitable subject for a new Dinky Toy, and in the splendid reproduction of a Massey-Harris Tractor, No. 27a, that now makes its appearance in the Dinky Toys range we have a very fine example that will become exceedingly popular.

Massey-Harris is a famous name in the agricultural world. The firm was founded just over 100 years ago, and throughout its life it has been in the forefront with the design and manufacture of farming machinery and requisites of all kinds. Its range of tractors includes five of these power units, ranging from the small "Pony," specially suitable for the small farm or the market garden, to model No. 55, a giant machine for the large scale farm. The one that has been chosen for reproduction in miniature in the Dinky Toys series is model No. 44, the second largest in the range. The model is true in form to its original in every respect, from the radiator grille at the front to the large rear wheels with their giant ribbed tyres that take a firm grip on the ground. Every possible detail of the tractor is accurately reproduced in correct colours, red for the chassis, bonnet and mudguards over the rear wheels, yellow for the centres of the wheels, and black for the steering column and wheel, and for the silencer and "breather" that emerge from the top of the bonnet. The name of the makers of the prototype is reproduced on the sides of the bonnet, which are completely closed in the model. At the back of the new Dinky Toy is a hook, which may be used for hauling trailers or implements, and a finishing touch to a really fine model is provided by the driver, seated correctly at the wheel.

Another recent addition to the Dinky Toys series is the Forward Control Lorry, No. 25r. This is a handsome representation of the modern type of large commercial vehicle, with the cab set at the very front. There the driver has an excellent view all round, and the maximum space is available for loading. No Dinky Toys fleet of commercial vehicles will be complete without this really modern lorry.

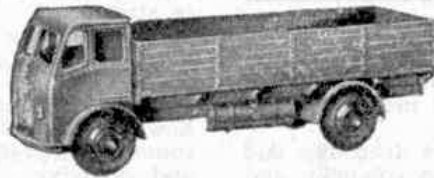
The latest Dinky Toy is in striking contrast to the two already described. It is the neat Garden Roller, No. 105a, illustrated on this page. This is a delightful little model that will please all who love to play with Dinky Toys. As in the real thing, the roller is made in two parts to allow for ready turning without damage to turf, and owners of Dinky Toys layouts that include lawns or gravel paths will thoroughly enjoy "rolling" them with it. In fact, its appearance will probably encourage enthusiasts to include green lawns and other suitable open spaces in layouts of this kind in order to give them an excuse for making use of it! The model is brightly coloured in red and green, and the metal tread of the roller itself is given a special finish.

The Dinky Supertoys series too has seen recent introductions of the very greatest interest, which provide their owners with splendid opportunities of developing layouts in which they can be put to a good use. These include the Bedford Articulated Lorry, No. 521, for which a Trailer, No. 551, has now been provided.

It is impossible to resist these handsome and realistic miniatures. The tractor portion of the Articulated Lorry is a miniature of a Bedford, and the body is permanently attached to it. Here again close attention has been given to details, and in outward appearance the model is complete, down to the accurately reproduced Bedford radiator grille, the representation of the petrol tank on the offside of the chassis and the mounting of the spare wheel on the platform between the cab and the front of the body. The latter is of large capacity—the entire model is 6½ in. in length—and it is capable of giving good service in haulage contracts or similar work arranged in connection with operations on any Hornby Railway or Dinky Supertoys layout.

The body of the Trailer is the same size as that of the Articulated Lorry, to which it can be attached quickly and easily by means of a coupling loop. Uncoupling is carried out with equal speed and ease by simply tapping the coupling upward, which lifts it clear of the hook of the Articulated Lorry.

Both these new Dinky Supertoys will provide the enthusiast with real fun in manoeuvring. The Articulated Lorry can be backed readily into spaces too narrow for easy entry with an ordinary lorry of the same size, and the Trailer after loading can be hauled out into the most suitable position for picking up when starting on a journey.



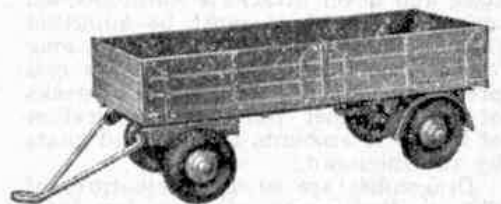
Forward Control Lorry, No. 25r.



Garden Roller, No. 105a.



Bedford Articulated Lorry, Dinky Supertoys No. 521.



Trailer, Dinky Supertoys No. 551.