Dinky Toys and Supertoys

Standard "Vanguard" and Foden 14-Ton Tanker

WITH the coming of the now famous "Vanguard" the Standard Motor Co. Ltd. concentrated on the production of this single model, and other Standard cars have now been dropped entirely. The model is a splendid example of modern style, specially designed for use abroad as well as in Great Britain. It has a 2-litre engine developing 68 b.h.p. at 4,000 r.p.m., giving a maximum speed on top gear of 50 m.p.h.

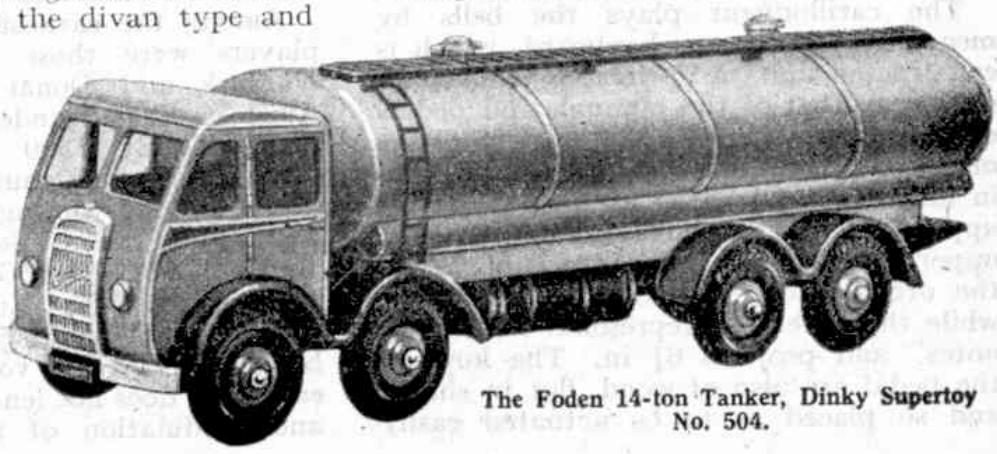
The Standard "Vanguard," Dinky Toys No. 40e.

This handsome car was an obvious choice for a new Dinky Toy. A striking feature that will immediately attract notice is the new front look. The radiator shell that in various forms has been characteristic of the front view of British motor cars of the past has been replaced by horizontal chromium-plated louvres, which are set low down and extend over rather more than half the width of the car. A deep and substantial bumper curves round the front beneath the louvres, and the front wings have straight tops that merge into the lines of the body, with headlamps set in. The body too is wide and gives ample seating accommodation. The front seat is of the divan type and provides room for two passengers in addition to the driver.

The Dinky Toys "Vanguard" reproduces well the features that make its original so imposing. The lines of the bodywork are splendidly followed in the model; the louvres and other special features at the front already referred to are so faithfully reproduced that there can be no mistaking the original of this miniature, a very handsome addition to the Dinky Toys series.

The lower illustration on this page shows the Foden 14-ton Tanker, the latest introduction to the Dinky Supertoys range, a very fine production that will be greeted with delight by all enthusiasts. Its chassis is that of the Foden 8-wheelers, Dinky Supertoys Nos. 501, 502 and 503, which have already established a great reputation, and on it is mounted a really magnificent representation of a tank for carrying petrol and other liquids. The design of the tank is completely modern. It is oval in section, with a ladder at the front for climbing up to the top walk or platform, giving access to the filler caps. On each side of the tank, tucked away below it, are representations of the containers for the hose used for delivering the petrol or other liquid that it carries.

The whole model has a splendid effect. It is massive in design and beautifully enamelled, the chassis in red with red wheel centres, the tank in a pleasing shade of grey, and the ladder and top walk in black. The bright radiator and bumper also are helpful in giving the pleasing appearance that makes these Dinky Supertoys splendid additions to any layout. A garage often forms part of such a layout, and where a set of Petrol Pumps (Dinky Toys No. 49) is installed it is fine to see this giant tank arriving to fill up the underground tanks.



The Foden 14-ton Tanker, Dinky Supertoy No. 504.