



THE MOTOR CYCLE

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Two-seat Moped

LAATEST imports from the Continent to arrive in this country for the Show are two mopeds and a tradesman's three-wheeler from the Dutch Centro concern. All three are powered by the 50 c.c. two-speed H.M.W. two-stroke engine-gear unit from Austria. The sturdiness of the unit is in keeping with that of the frames which are of welded construction in oval-section tubing. A single tube comprises the main frame of the mopeds. The tube runs diagonally downward and rearward from the steering head, then curves upward and forward to carry the saddle. The power unit, which is said to develop 2.2 b.h.p. at 6,100 r.p.m. and which supplies 6v 17w current for lighting, is attached to a bracket below the main frame.

On the standard moped, conventional tubular seat stays and channel-section chain stays are featured and the chain has a guard over the top run. A de luxe double-seat model incorporates pivoted-fork rear springing comprising box-section fork arms controlled by telescopic shock absorbers. A rearward extension welded to the frame main tube carries a pillion and luggage rack and provides the top anchorage for the shock-absorber units. Pillion footrests are attached to the fork arms. The driving chain is totally enclosed. Front suspension on both models is by telescopic fork.

The tradesman's three-wheeler consists of a two-wheel compartment for merchandise ingeniously married to the de luxe version of the moped in place of its rear wheel.

All three models will be exhibited at Earls Court by Winsmith (Finchley), Ltd., 656, High Road, Finchley, London, N.12. Price of the three-wheeler has not yet been finalized. Basic prices of the mopeds: £65 for the standard model and £75 for the de luxe version. With British purchase tax added the total prices are respectively £80 12s and £93.