



MOTOR CYCLING

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WINDOW ON THE WEEK

ENTRY OF A NEW MAKE

DURING the past few weeks, the ranks of British motorcycle manufacturers have been increased by the entry of Messrs. A. B. Jackson (Cycles), Ltd., of Pope Street, Birmingham, 1, who are producing two models under the initials "A.B.J." Both are powered by 98 c.c. Villiers two-stroke engines. The first is an auticycle, fitted with the 2.F unit and is priced at £47 10s., plus £12 16s. 6d. purchase tax (total £60 6s. 6d.). The other is a lightweight motorcycle equipped with 1.F engine incorporating a two-speed gearbox, the gear ratios being 8.47 and 13.05 to 1 respectively. The price of the motorcycle is £55, plus £14 17s. purchase tax (total £69 17s.). In each case speedometers are extra.

Spring-operated telescopic forks are found on both models. The upper rebound springs act in tension, except on full rebound when split bronze bushes are expanded by means of steel cones due to the momentarily opposing spring thrusts. The bushes bear on the inside of the tubes

and exert a damping force. On both the auticycle and the motorcycle, frames of practically identical design are used. They are of a cradle type and give the appearance of considerable strength. The specifications of both machines are very complete, and the normal finish is black but an alternative colour scheme will be available.

Mr. A. B. Jackson, the chairman and managing director of the company, has had long experience in the design and manufacture of auticycles, and was managing director of the well-known Raynal concern for some years.

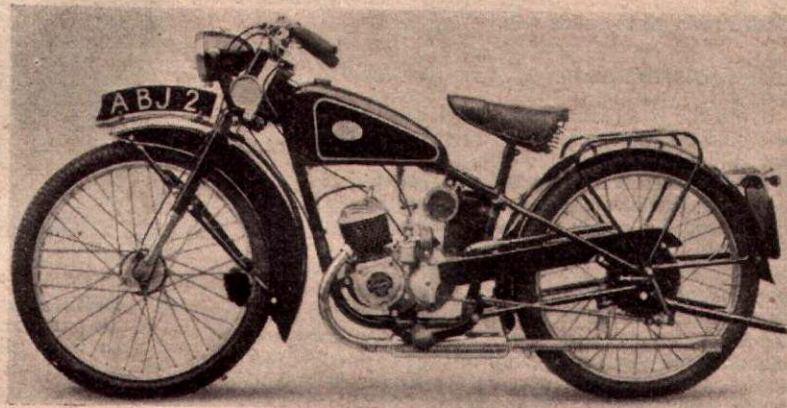
It is anticipated that the A.B.J. machines will shortly become available on the home market.

A.A. LANDMARK

THE 60-ft. aluminium tower, erected recently on the roof of Fanum House, New Coventry Street, London, W.1, headquarters of the A.A., carries a dipole aerial which has enabled the Marconi radio telephone system all-night breakdown service to be extended.

B.S.A. SPORTS

A DISPLAY of motorcycle trick riding by Army Mechanical Transport School, Borden, under the direction of Capt. D. C. Osmond, and by permission of Col. R. E. L. Tuckley, concluded the B.S.A. Open Sports Meeting Programme on the B.S.A. Recreation Ground, July 2.



The new 98 c.c. A.B.J. Motorcycle listed at £69 17s. inc. P.T.