

58/78COMMERCIAL MOTOR SHOW.

A real aristocrat of taxis carried buyers to Earls Court, very appropriately because this new Austin is on show there, and won a two and a half million pound order on the first day of the Commercial Motor Show. Among exhibits was an A.E.C. bus. Two hundred and fifty will be supplied to Teheran. Good suspension for Persian rough roads. London passengers are already riding in the "Routemaster". In trucks, there's the Jensen elevator. It raises or drops the body to the height of the loading bay.

Most manufacturers nowadays give a thought to the drivers' comfort. Many provide heaters, Some a plug-point for an electric razor. As for music, truck-radio will soon be seen in all the best driving-cabs. In the really big class is the Omega tractor, designed for heavy desert duty. An enormous industry this commercial motor business, in the export field, as well as the home market. Rolls Royce make the Omega's engine, a little unit of 275 horse power.