

Stateside power was being used by
Jensen in its new C-V8. Chrysler's 5.9-litre
Golden Commando was alleged to produce 305bhp at 4800rpm,
which in theory could propel the car to a top
speed of 148mph. The C-V8 cost £3861

VINTAGE SHOWCASE

The place was Earls Court, the year 1962. British companies alone launched eight brand new models. And what models... There was the MGB, the Triumph Spitfire, the Lotus Elan and magnificent Jensen C-V&. Motor shows then were full of surprises — and the public adored them