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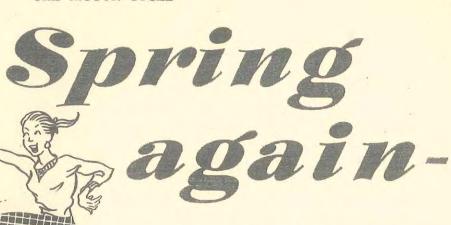
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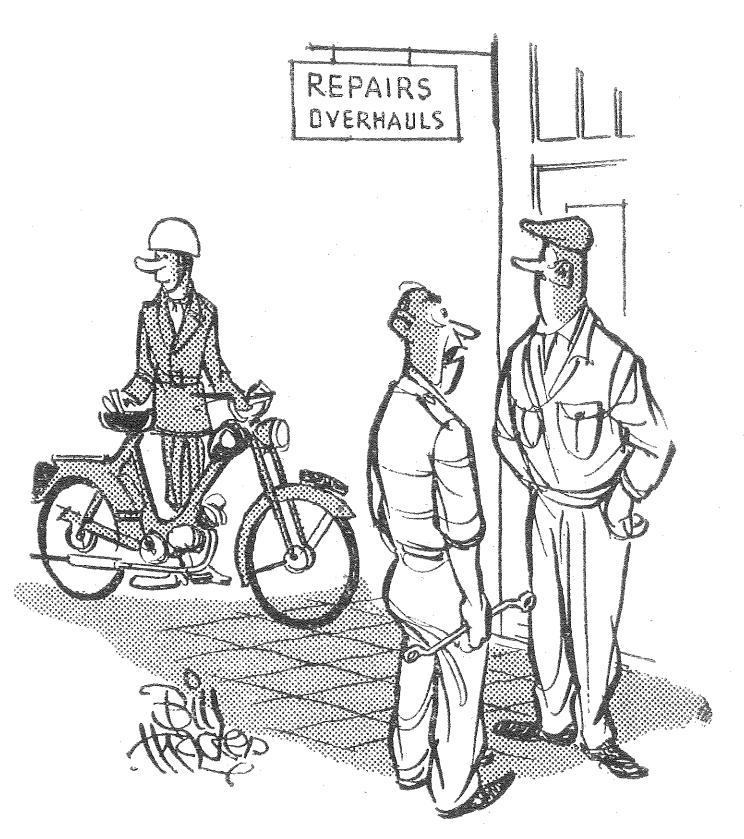
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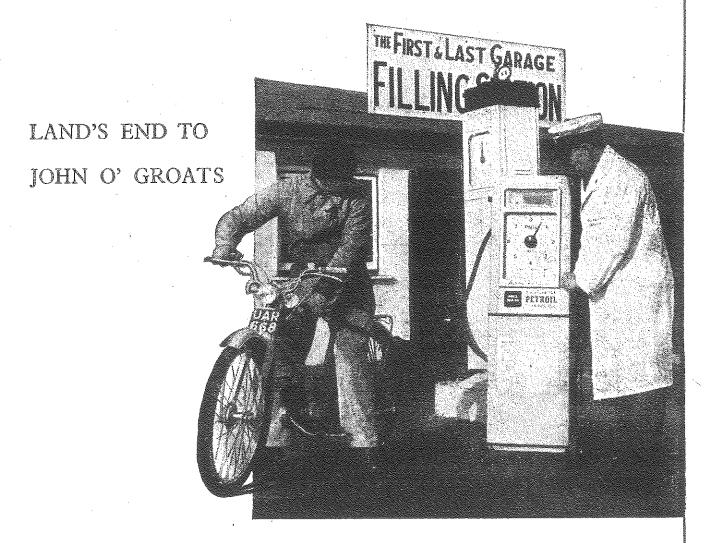
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"Wants me to bore it out to 51 c.c.—so's he can use it on M1"

#### 850 MILES ON 32 SHILLINGS



Tim Wood, the young racing driver, has just ridden his N.S.U. 'Quickly' autocycle from Land's End to John o' Groats. Total distance: over 850 miles. Total fuel cost: under 32/-. This remarkable feat is a great tribute to Mr. Wood's enterprise. A great tribute, too, to his magnificent little N.S.U. machine. And a tribute, we're proud to say, to the service he got at Shell and BP Stations on his route—the new service of the Avery-Hardoll Petroiler, which serves 2-strokes with petrol and oil perfectly mixed, in exact proportion, with the utmost speed and convenience. The Petroiler is not yet fully distributed. Look for it on your local Shell and BP Station—if it hasn't arrived, it's coming soon.

#### SHELL and BP

TWO-STROKE PETROIL SERVICE

#### END-TO-END «QUICKLY»

Three Days on a "Mo-ped," Under A.-C.U. Observance, from Land's End to John o' Groats

ON Saturday morning, April 16, promptly at 8 a.m., Tim Wood, 27-year-old racing-car driver set out from Land's End on one of the most ambitious projects yet undertaken with a mo-ped. His mount for his trip (as mentioned in last week's issue) to John o' Groats was an N.S.U. "Quickly" on which he hoped to complete the journey for a running cost of under 25 shillings. The test was to be A.-C.U. observed throughout.

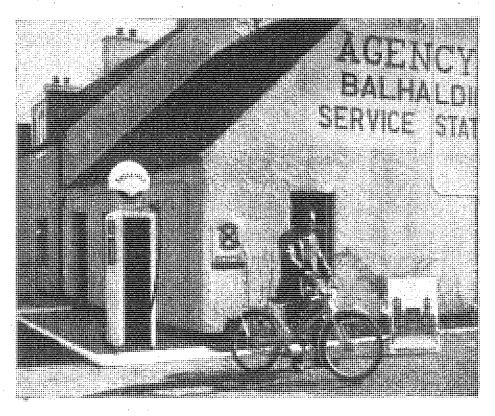
Three days later on Tuesday of last week, he arrived at John o' Groats, well ahead of his time schedule, but having exceeded his fuel target by 3s. 11d.

Most readers will be conversant with the specification for the "Quickly" but, for others, the salient points are a pressed-steel frame and forks (these are of bottom-link type), a 49 c.c. engine—two-speed-gear unit, twist grip operated, and front and rear internal-expanding brakes. Power output of the 49 c.c. two-stroke engine is claimed to be 1.4 b.h.p.; gear ratios are 10.1 and 5.2:1. An interesting point on a machine of this size is that both wheels have knock-out axles, to simplify wheel removal.

The fuel used for the test was supplied by the Shell and B.P. Two-Stroke Service from one of their new "petroiler" pumps and consisted of a 20:1 Shell/Shell X100 mixture.

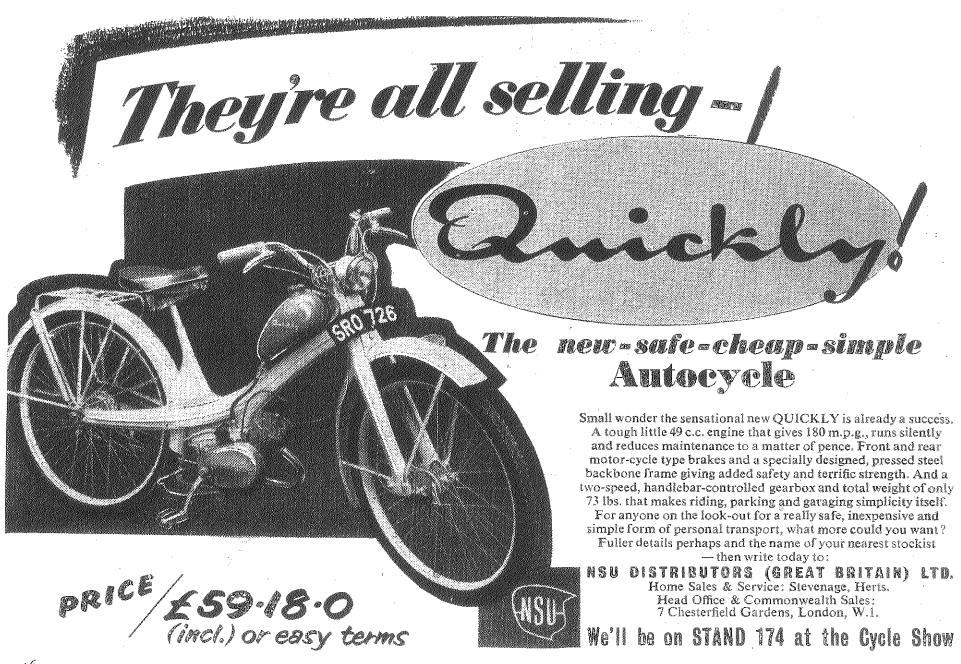
The route taken may be of interest to readers; here, then, are some of the better known points on it:

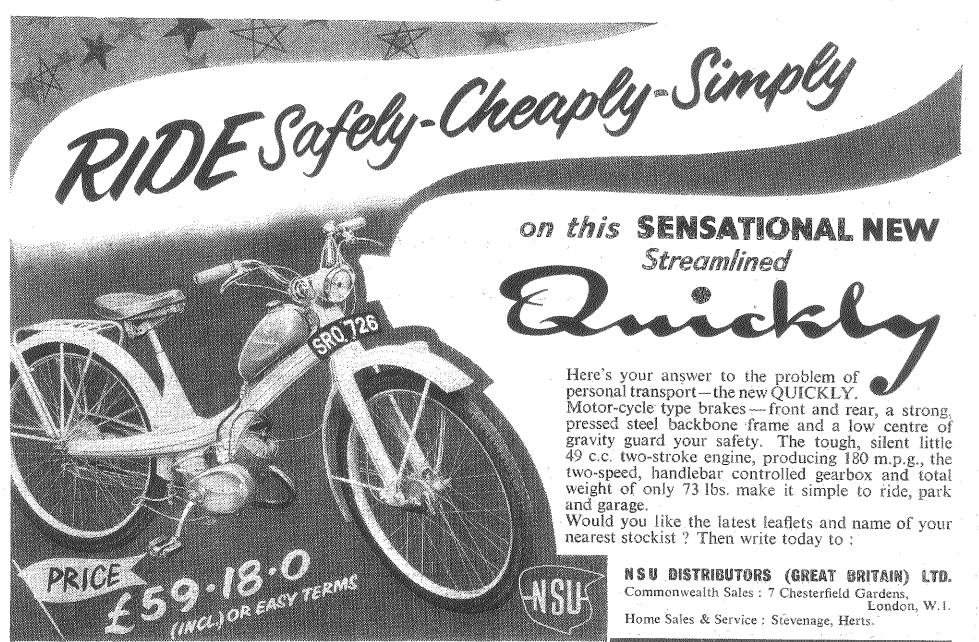
Start at Land's End, Redruth, Tedburn St. Mary, Taunton, Gloucester, Tewkesbury, Worcester (stay overnight), Wellington, Newton-le-Willows, Preston, Lancaster, Kendal, Shap, Carlisle, Gretna Green (stay overnight), Lanark, Stirling, Bridge of Allan, Amulree, Kingussie, Inverness (stay overnight), Dingwall, Helmsdale, Wick to John o' Groats.



Well on the way, with 679 miles behind him, Tim Wood stops for fuel at Dunblane, between Stirling and Crieff.

For the trip of 880 miles, petroil consumption worked out at 139.64 m.p.g. and the average speed (running time) at 23.95 m.p.h., both of which are comparable with the results obtained by *Motor Cycling* and the "Quickly" used on the "staff outing to Brighton" described in last week's issue.







#### Road Tests of New Models

#### 49 c.c. N.S.U. QUICKLY

Brilliantly Conceived Motorized Cycle With Pressed-steel Spine Frame and Two-speed Gear

ATEST N.S.U. machine to be offered to the British public is the Quickly, the two-speed, 49 c.c. motorized cycle exhibited for the first time in England at the 1954 London Show. Unlike the larger-capacity N.S.U.-Vincents already on the

home market, the Quickly is of German manufacture throughout.

Applied to the Quickly, the term "motorized cycle" can be misleading, for any thoughts of having to pedal-assist the engine, even on gradients as steep as 1 in 10, were dispelled during a first ride on the model submitted for test. Indeed, once the machine was on the move, the pedals were never used to supplement the

In town traffic, the Quickly proved a most attractive mount.



**ENGINE:** 49 c.c.  $(39\times40\,$  mm) two-stroke, with light-alloy, hard-chromed cylinder barrel and light-alloy cylinder head. Petroil lubrication.

FRAME: Open; pressed-steel, spine type.
CARBURETTOR: Bing, with enclosed filter and built-in strangler.
Twistgrip throttle control.

TRAMSMISSION: Two-speed gear box operated by handlebar twist-grip. Gear ratios: bottom, 30.06 to 1: top, 15.99 to 1. Multi-plate clutch on engine mainshaft. Primory gear drive. Final drive through pedalling

IGNITION and LIGHTING: Flywheel magneto embodying lighting coil.

FUEL CAPACITY: 64 pints.

WEIGHT: 724 lb.

PETROIL CONSUMPTION: 115-150 m.p.g. ROAD TAX: 17s 6d a year; 4s 10d a quarter.

PRICE: £49 18s 4d; with British purchase tax, £59 18s.

CONCESSIONAIRES: N.S.U. Distributors (Great Britain), Ltd., Great North Road, Stevenage, Herts.

The low bottom gear (30 to 1) permitted a brisk getaway from traffic halts, and it was found that a consistent place could be

maintained among more powerful vehicles.

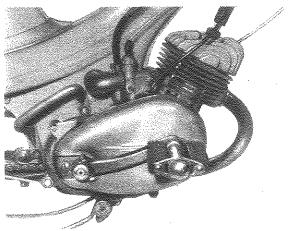
The two-speed gear is operated by means of a twistgrip on the left handlebar. In order to engage bottom gear the twistgrip, with its integral clutch lever, is turned forward from the neutral position, and backward when top gear is required. Gear changing was light and positive; and, provided a pause was made in twistgrip movement, gear engagement was noiseless.

Normal cruising speed was approximately 25 m.p.h.; maximum speed was slightly in excess of 30 m.p.h. The top gear ratio of 16 to 1 was well suited to the engine characteristics and the power unit betrayed no sign of fuss at maximum speed. At the lower end of the scale, the Quickly

could be throttled down to a slow walking pace without any necessity for slipping the clutch.

During the course of the test a hill with an average gradient of 1 in 14, and roughly three-quarters of a mile long, was climbed without the speed falling below 10 m.p.h. On that occasion bottom gear was engaged after about 400 yards of the hill had been covered. Restarting on the steepest part of the gradient was accomplished without use of the pedals although the clutch, of course, slipped for several yards. At high or low speeds the stability of the machine was of a remarkably high standard. The Quickly could be ridden hands-off at almost any speed within its range.

Bearing in mind that the little N.S.U. is a motorized cycle, above-average riding comfort was provided by the combination of resiliently mounted saddle, sprung front



Smoothly contoured engine-gear unit of the Quickly. Carburettor induction is through the main frame member

fork and 2in-section tyres. The saddle is of generous proportions, sprung by means of a rubber band, and adjustable for height and fore and aft position. The excellent shock-absorbing qualities of the saddle, indeed, were superior to those of the front fork. coil springs fitted above each of the fork leading links proved rather too short and of too high poundage to provide the desired effect.

Petroil consumption worked out at 150 m.p.g. in heavy, town traffic and at a maintained cruising speed, when possible, of 20 m.p.h. With constant use of maximum throttle, that figure dropped to about 115 m.p.g. The recommended ratio of petrol to oil is 25 to 1.

Ease of starting after the machine had been left overnight without cover, even on the very cold mornings experienced in December and early January, was a notable feature of the N.S.U. Only light flooding of the carburettor was required. With the quickaction twistgrip throttle on the right handlebar turned just off its closed stop, the strangler closed and the compression-release valve open, the engine would start after a single twirl of the pedals.

Idling was slow and more even than is the case with many two-

strokes; the exhaust, even at wide throttle openings, was markedly subdued by the long, generously dimensioned silencer.

Internal-expanding brakes of 4in diameter are fitted to both wheels; the front brake is operated by a lever on the right handlebar, the rear brake by back pedalling. Employed together, the brakes proved reasonably satisfactory although, used separately, each brake was disappointing and required heavy pressure. Both pedals, incidentally, are equipped with built-in reflectors.

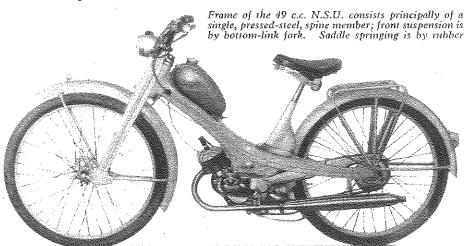
The mudguards extend far down the circumference of each wheel and are of generous section; in consequence, the machine could be ridden over moderately wet roads without the need for

waterproof shoes or trousers.

Illumination provided by the 3in-diameter headlamp attained satisfactory intensity at low engine revs and at all times proved entirely adequate. The dip-switch enabled a good cut-off to be obtained. There is no provision for a parking light. The electric horn, which proved adequately powerful in volume, is energized from, a coil in the flywheel magneto.

The Quickly, in short, is a true example of excellent engineering craftsmanship. General and detail design, and manufacture, merit the highest praise. The grey and chromium finish exhibited no sign of deterioration during the period of the test, which embraced

some of the worst winter weather.



### N.S.U. Introduce the Quickly-L

Dressed-up Edition of Celebrated Moped to be

Available in Britain in the New Year

NEW N.S.U. Quickly, the Quickly-L, is now in production. The model features a spine frame similar to that of the original model and the two-speed engine-gear unit, too, is virtually unchanged. But the rear wheel is sprung and a certain amount of cleaning up has been carried out. The rear springing is by means of a pivoted fork providing approximately 1½ in of up-and-down movement at the wheel spindle and controlled by enclosed coil springs.

Standard equipment featured on the Quickly-L includes deeply valanced front and rear mudguards and a pressed handlebar similar to that fitted to the N.S.U. Prima scooter. Available at extra charge are legshields, which make the model virtually a moped-scooter. It is anticipated that the machine will be available in Britain in January or February next. Production of the Quickly and Quickly Special is to be continued

The N.S.U. Quickly-L.
Latest version of the famous German moped features rear-wheel springing by pivoted fork, deeply valanced mudguards and a pressed-steel handlebar, somewhat similar to that fitted to the Prima scooter

