

CLIP-ONS AND TYRE MILEAGE

Experiences with a VeloSolex and a Mosquito

T SHOULD like to reply to Mr. C. A. M. Sellen, of Warrington, who asks for authentic figures regarding tyre mileage with clipons. Riding a VeloSolex with front-wheel-drive by carborundum roller, I obtained 5,000 miles from a semi-balloon tyre with special tread I am now riding a sports-type bicycle with a Mosquito fitted. The rear tyre had already covered over 3,000 miles of cycling before fitting the Mosquito. The tyre, a 26in x 1gin Dunlop Sprite Tourist, does not appear to have had a roller touching it, although I have covered 600 miles; and from the appearance of the tread, I should say it is good for a big mileage yet. I do not think any cyclist need have any anxiety regarding tyre wear when using the Mosquito. It is a wonderful engine, having considerable power, this being especially noticeable when travelling uphill. Furthermore, I have not had any spanner-exercise at any time (excluding plug cleaning), neither do I find my wheel-rim greasy. I have no connection with the trade, being solely interested in obtaining trouble-free riding, Glazebrook, Nr. Manchester. WM. BUCKLEY.