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A NEW note in long-distance travel was struck on Friday last, when Peter Lee-Warner left Australia House, in London, at the start of a round trip to Australia and back mounted on a butcher's cycle powered by a 49 c.c. Power Pak engine unit. This is claimed to be the first attempt to accomplish the 25,000 mile journey on a motor-assisted cycle, and it is anticipated that Mr. Lee-Warner will not be back in London for nearly a year. His route lies through France, Italy and the Balkans, Syria, Transjordan, Iraq (where he will board ship to reach Karachi), India, Burma (oversea to Rangoon), Siam, Malaya and, finally, Darwin, Australia. The last boat trip on the outward journey will be from Singapore to Darwin. On the return journey to England, the Power Pak is scheduled to travel through Egypt, North Africa and Spain.

Prime reason for choosing a butcher's cycle was to allow a large amount of equipment to be carried; a one-man tent, seven days' food supply, medical kit, mosquito net, and a 16mm cine camera with 600 feet of film, comprise some of the items. The large front carrier, a standard feature of trade cycles, supports the equipment, as well as several spares for the Power Pak. Fitted in the frame triangle is an auxiliary fuel tank of about two gallons' capacity; and below the carrier there is a small tank containing drinking water.

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The Power Pak is a latest-type, synchromatic drive unit. A cycle-type dynamo is



Peter Lee-Warner setting off from Australia House, London, at the start of his 25,000-mile journey

mounted on the rear fork to supplement the engine-driven generator. Statisticians connected with the venture compute that the crankshaft of the little engine will revolve 32 million times in the course of the journey. A point that will probably arouse rather greater interest is the money to be spent on fuel—just £25!

Jubilee Celebration

A GATHERING of nearly 200 celebrated the Golden Jubilee of *The Motor Cycle* at a banquet in London on Wednesday of last week. Among them were many friders of yesteryear, including who were the single entirely and the state of who won the single first T.T. in 190 won the to

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ON his way to Australia from London with a Power Pak-equipped bicycle, Peter Lee-Warner has reached Bagdad. His route has taken him through France, Italy, Yugoslavia, Greece, Turkey and Transjordan to Iraq. It is reported that he is enjoying the trip, and that the Power Pak, which is one of the latest types equipped with synchromatic drive, is standing the journey well.

28 May 1953

BEFORE leaving Bagdad Peter Lee-Watner, who is riding a Power Pak equipped cycle on a journey from England to Australia, recorded an interview on his experiences. The recording has been flown to England and will be broadcast in the "What Goes On" feature in the Midland Regional programme today, Thursday, between 7.30 and 8 p.m. The Midland Regional wavelength is 276m.

9 July 1953

L ATEST news regarding Peter Lee Warner is that he has left Calcutta after covering 7,000 miles since starting from England and is now on his way by sea and road to Singapore. Riding a cycle equipped with a Power Pak micromotor, he is making a trip around the world.

Other News

LATEST news about Peter Lee-Warner, who has been riding round the world on a Power Pak-equipped cycle, is that he was expected back in England last Tuesday.

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World Trip

PETER LEE-WARNER, who, it will be recalled, left England last March to travel around the world on a motor-assisted cycle, arrived back in London on Tuesday of last week. His mount was an ordinary tradesman's cycle fitted with a Power Pak Synchromatic Drive unit of 49 c.c. Total distance ridden was approximately 13,000 miles and the duration of the trip, which embraced France, Italy, Yugoslavia, Greece, Turkey, Syria, Iraq, Pakistan, India, Malaya, Australia, Honolulu and U.S.A., was exactly seven months.

In Peter Lee-Warner's words, "nothing

startling happened during the journey." He had enjoyed excellent service both from the cycle and the engine unit. Nothing more serious had occurred than the temporary loss of the magneto cover in Yugoslavia.

The original plug had not been changed and, cleaned regularly, had given no trouble. Decarbonization was carried out at intervals of 1,000 to 1,500 miles. Overall petroil consumption for the trip averaged roughly 200 m.p.g., although, wherever possible, an average speed of 20-25 m.p.h. had been maintained. A reserve tank containing sufficient fuel for about 600 miles had enabled Lee-Warner to cross without difficulty the less populated desert regions in Syria.

On Thursday, Lee-Warner delivered to the Lord Mayor of London a letter of greeting from the Lord Mayor of Sidney, Australia.

29 October 1953



Back in London after a trip round the world on a tradesman's cycle fitted with Power-Pak engine, Peter Lee-Warner is greeted by Miss Vivian Blaine, the actress. During the trip he covered 13,000 miles

Vivian Blaine was roped in to meet Peter Lee-Warner because she was in London to play Miss Adelaide in Guys & Dolls. She was one of only three of the Broadway cast who transferred to the West End production.