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**Grubb's Alcyon**

The present trend of design towards Continental and upright bicycles has, no doubt, influenced Messrs. Grubb's, of Robsart-street, Brixton, in their choice of an Alcyon bicycle as an additional model to their range. The machine, which can be seen at Robsart-street, is an imported Alcyon road racing model. It is, without doubt, one of the finest of current French racing machines, and the model on view is a very attractive bicycle.

The general design of the machine will, of course, be familiar to all readers, as the bicycles used by the Aces during the recent Tour de France were provided by the Alcyon company, and the many photographs which have appeared in "The Bicycle" will serve to indicate the general appearance of the model.

The specification is as follows: Frame height 22½ in., wheel-base 42½ in., front forks 3 in. set off, frame built with Reynold's H.M. tubing, finished in silver, with blue and red head; cranks 6¾ in., Duralumin pedals, fluted cranks.

The wheels are built up with thirty-six spokes back and front, on special narrow barrelled hubs. Wood sprints are used, with the familiar Franco-American Company's Boston rim. Tyres are by Dunlop. The handlebar bends are of Duralumin, and are of a metric section a little larger than the normal English 7/8 in. Two brakes are fitted, both of Duralumin, and are the Bowden Pellisier type.

For many years the weak point about French machines was the saddle, but there will certainly be no grounds for complaint against the Ideal saddle provided on this Alcyon. Built on an alloy girder framework, the beautiful shaped top, in one piece of leather, should, after being suitably broken in, carry a man through the Tour de France without the slightest trouble.

A three-speed gear is fitted, the type used being the Super Champion three-speed.

Although only an actual riding test will prove its qualities as a

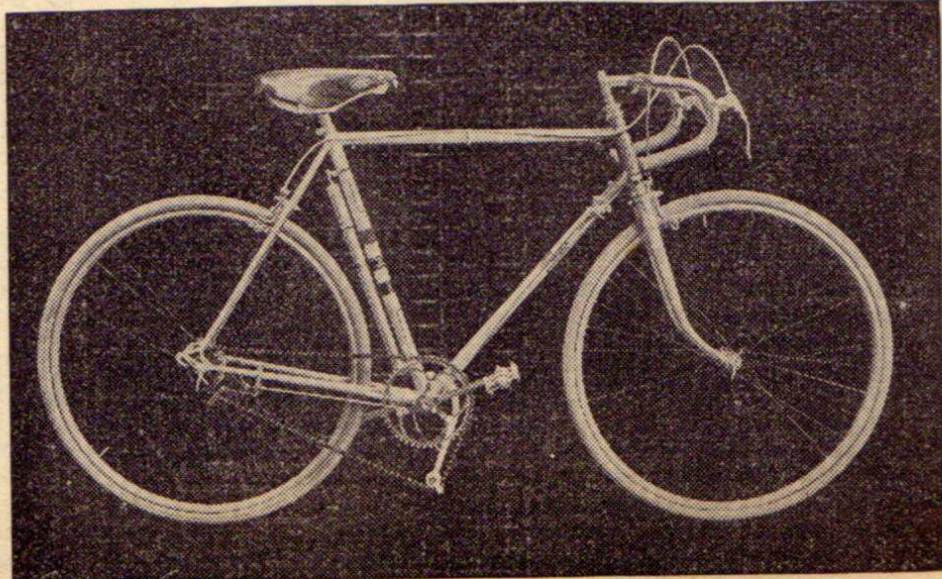
speed machine, the Alcyon certainly looks a first-class job, and all club men with an interest in massed-start racing will find much about this bicycle to please them.

The weight of the machine, all on, is 20½ lb.

Owing to the Customs barrier, the price of the machine is, of course rather high, being £19 17s. 6d. Full details can be had on application to Messrs. Grubb's, Robsart-street, Brixton, London, S.W.9.

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