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**"AER I"**  
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A garage in Udine has produced this new and rather queer looking little machine. It is a tricycle, and somewhat resembles an ice-cream vendor's tricycle with the protecting canopy he uses during the summer months.

The motor has 125 horse-power, and can reach and maintain a speed of 120 kilometers per hour on the road.

When it reaches an airport, the "AER I" transforms itself very easily into a light airplane. The tail part is unfurled, and when the canopy is unhooked it swings out into two folded wings. They open out to a wing-span of 9 metres 60 cm; the 'canopy' had been just 2 metres 40 cms across. Driver becomes pilot. AER I takes off.

The engine has four air cooled cylinders; the propeller-speed is variable; the cruising-speed, 200 kilometers per hour; and there is room for two passengers besides the pilot.

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(Shape of things to come department: "Please dear may I take the aer-tricycle tomorrow? It says in this magazine that there is the most wonderful sale on Edinburgh tomorrow.....") Husbands take note)

(Next evening, at the Hospital: "Yes, I know dear, but I must have forgotten to transform it....")

