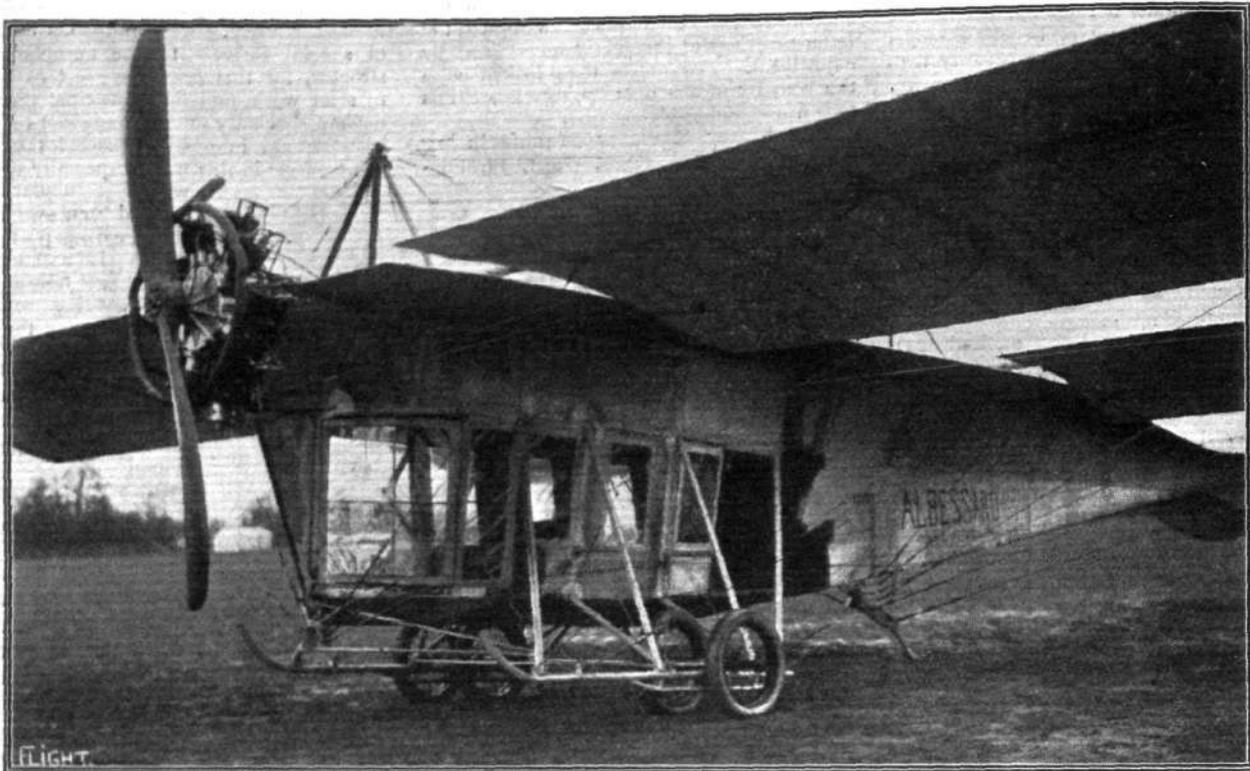


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View of the cabin on the Albesard monoplaner, which accommodates three passengers.

Flying from France to Corsica.

THREE French Naval Officers, Lieuts. de l'Escaille, Destrem and Janvier, succeeded on Friday of last week in flying across the Mediterranean from St. Raphael to the island of Corsica. The two former, each on a Nieuport seaplane fitted with 100 h.p. Gnome motor and Integral propeller, set out from St. Raphael and after reaching Calvi flew round the Corsican coast to Ajaccio. Janvier, who was on a biplane, had to come down, owing to his petrol supply failing, just before reaching Calvi, and he was conveyed into harbour by the aeroplane mother-ship "Foudre." The time taken for the journey of 250 kiloms. to Ajaccio was 2 hrs. 45 mins.

Motors for French Military Aeroplanes.

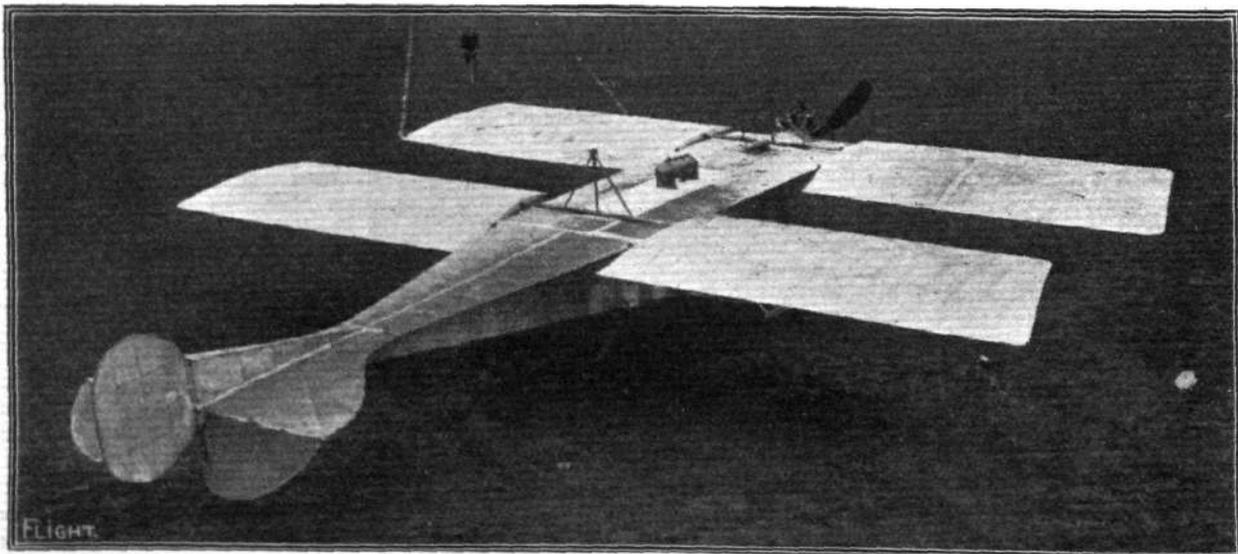
A CIRCULAR has recently been addressed by the French Minister of War to the various engine manufacturers, drawing their attention to the fact that for use on aeroplanes a motor of the fixed type is preferred, and makers are asked to concentrate their attention on engines of that type.

Paris to Entertain Municipal Visitors with Flying.

AMONG the fêtes, etc., with which the Paris Municipal Council proposes to entertain the visitors from the principal foreign cities, including a deputation from the London County Council, in June next is a flying meeting, which it is intended shall be held on the Longchamps racecourse if the necessary permission can be obtained.

Hanouille Drowned at San Sebastian.

THE fate of Le Blon at San Sebastian nearly four years ago was recalled by a somewhat similar accident which cost the life of Hanouille at the same place on Monday last. Hanouille had been giving an exhibition of looping the loop, and was making an upside-down flight when his machine fell from a great height into the bay. The pilot, as in the case of Le Blon, was trapped beneath the machine and was drowned before help could reach him.



View from above of the Albesard double monoplaner, which is fitted with a pendulum automatic stability device. The span is 11 metres and the overall length 12 metres. It is fitted with a 100 h.p. Anzani motor, and weighs 750 kilogs. empty.