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## COVERS

**FRONT COVER** The Sorge Stearman Speedmail Special is actually a heavily customized PT-17 Stearman. With its beefy looks and growling 450-hp Pratt & Whitney, it strikes an imposing posture when on the flightline or in the pattern. EAA photo by Bonnie Kratz.

**BACK COVER:** David Macready captured the Avro Triplane replica built for the 1965 movie *Those Magnificent Men in Their Flying Machines*. Flown in the movie by the boorish Sir Percy Ware-Armitage (played by Terry Thomas), it proved to be an aeroplane with reasonably good flying capabilities, so much so that it's flown on a regular basis as part of the flying section of the Shuttleworth Collection at Old Warden Aerodrome in the United Kingdom. For more information, visit their website at [www.shuttleworth.org](http://www.shuttleworth.org).