

## Fully Equipped



*Glenn L. Martin, aviation pioneer, wrote a letter to the Los Angeles Times on Aug. 7, 1914, stating that the airplane would practically decide the war in Europe. "For the old-time war tactics are no more," he said. "The generals who realize this quickest and fight first with the flying death will win." In 1916, when the War Department asked Martin to sit on the War Aviation Board, he had three*

*aircraft in production, including this Martin Model R—an advanced-trainer observation airplane with provision to carry a lightweight motorcycle. The motorcycle would be dropped by parachute along with a soldier.*