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SPEED CAR TO INVADE AMERICA

Spotlight on speed. A newly designed British sports car takes the road at Surbiton. Capable of topping 100 miles an hour and 45 miles to the gallon, this 12 horse-power two-seater passes its first test with flying colours.

Built at a small Surrey garage, the speedster has two faster, single-seater brothers - both of which are equipped with a light motor-cycle type engine. Costing £600, they have set up 11 British racing records in the past year, topping 130 miles-an-hour. Present output is only one a week, but there are plans for an immediate step-up. Two of the models are now on their way to the New York motor show and their designer, ex-R.A.F. engineer John Cooper, expects large dollar orders for the American market.