

FLASHES!

Lt. Commander Verdin flew the Skyray Jet to win  
back for America the world measured-course speed record.

Official pictures show the successful ~~attempt~~ at Thermal,  
California.

(39) Fastest run 761 ~~mph~~, average for 4, 753.

Triumph for Verdin and the Skyray.

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U.S. AGAIN JET LEADER! NAVY PLANE SETS RECORD

Lieutenant Commander James B. Verdin, at the controls of the F-Four-D Skyray jet --  
out to win back the world measured-course speed record for the United States --  
flying the new Navy interceptor through four all-out passes over a three-kilometer  
course at Thermal, California.

He does it! Fastest time: 761 plus miles per hour; average 753 and four tenths...  
topping the British mark set only eight days before!