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NEVILLE DUKE ATTEMPTS AIR-SPEED RECORD

At Tangmere Neville Duke, thirty one year old ex-fighter pilot now one of the world's leading test pilots, prepares to win the air speed record from America. His red-painted Hawker Hunter is prepared for the task of topping 715 miles an hour. The undercarriage which later, was to halt a record bid, is carefully checked. Final adjustments are made to the Hunter, an aircraft which is now in priority production for the R.A.F., and Duke climbs aboard. Holder of the D.S.O., D.F.C., and two bars, Duke shot down 28 enemy aircraft during the war.

High above Werthing pier, Duke flies the Hunter at a speed believed to be well over 700 miles an hour. To break the record the Hunter has to fly four times over the three kilometre course that lies between Ruskington and Kingston Gorse.

Back to Tangmere comes the Hunter. So far no information has been released about the speed averaged by Duke during his trials, but there seems little doubt he hasn't been far off the record already. Neville Duke, a pilot of matchless skill and experience, has the courage and determination that could recapture the world's speed record for Britain.