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Squadren Leader Neville Dake, who only a few days ago cracked the existing air speed record, gets set in his flame-coloured Hawber Hunter to achieve an even higher speed. His previous record was just short of that required to beat the American claim of 715 miles an hour, so he's out to make quite sure of it this time. From Tangmere Airfield in Sussex, Duke takes off to make four runs agrees the three kilemeter course between Eastington and Kingston Gerse.

Marker floats are set along the course. The timing mechanism is all set - and here comes the Hunter!

Holiday crowds look up again as Duke flashes past on his second run at abour fifty feet above sea level.

Pour times Duke makes the run before he brings the Hunter back to Tanguere. As the aircraft comes to a balt, Duke, smiling and confident, waves to reporters and cameramen. Now it has been revealed that this shy modest young pilot has recomptured the world's speed record for Britain, with an average of 727.6 miles an hour. Standing quietly with the crowd who gather round is his wife. Duke's achievement has set the seal to a week, brilliant im British aviation history.