

BLUEBIRD STILL TRYING.

After weeks of nerve-racking delays Donald Campbell was back in the spotlight; Bluebird, apparently, going well.

At the boathouse they wondered if at last Campbell was set to go? It was nearly seven weeks since he and his "circus", as they call it, came to Lake Cowiston, and all this waiting costs money - big money - round about £2,000 a week. But even now the water-speed-king wasn't satisfied. The water-condition was good; the boat still not a hundred percent. Had Leo Vilka, that mechanical genius, anything to suggest? Both Leo and Campbell examined the rudder. The smallest imperfection can be a life and death matter at 250 miles an hour. Perhaps the solution might lie in a new stabiliser? So they fitted one. Time was running out; this calm November weather might change any day now.

Small wonder Donald was worried at times. Now for another engine test.

Not even the jet sounded right, but he decided to try the boat again.

Even from the shore it didn't look like proper Blue Bird behaviour. Let's hope for better luck soon....