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CAMPBELL'S BLUEBIRD SINKS.

Preparing Bluebird for an attack on his own world water speed record of 202 miles an hour, Donald Campbell takes her out for a trial run on Lake Mead, U.S.A. Lake Willwater, scene of his last triumph, is too small for the speeds of which he believes Bluebird to be capable. That is why he chose this stretch of American water to find out what the fastest boat in the world can really do.

But this magnificent craft, built for fantastic speeds, is tricky to manage when she is moving slowly - and this time misfortune strikes! A small leak brings disaster, and Campbell is only just able to escape as Bluebird sinks.

The U.S. navy comes to the rescue - ropes are lashed to the stricken boat's hull, while Donald Campbell looks anxiously on. Towing begins but before she can be brought to shore she once again starts to settle. But the following day, when she was raised it was found that the damage was not beyond repair. Campbell hopes once again to attack the world record.