

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Routine Wireless Instruction

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

Attempted forced landing in school yard. Aircraft turned over after striking two knolls and gas tank exploded causing aircraft to burn. Pilot killed by impact and W.O. was dragged from plane. Pilot and parachute burned

PRIMARY CAUSE:

Moth Aircraft #4833 struck a hillside while being flown at a low altitude. Pilot was unable to control the aircraft.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

Court of Inquiry

DATE: 11.11.41.

COMPOSITION:

President	S/Ldr.	C. Drapper (37390)
Member	F/Lt.	M.C. McDiarmid (C.809)
Member	F/O	L.P. Worthington (C.3027)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

" That Menasco Moth Aircraft are either suitably modified to increase the safety factor when being used for Wireless Training or are replaced entirely by a more suitable type.

ACTION TAKEN:

(A) DISCIPLINARY (B) TECHNICAL (C) OTHER

Nil

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

Aircraft landed turned over after striking two knolls and gas tank exploded, causing aircraft to burn.

RECORDED BY _____ DATE _____

CHECKED BY _____ DATE _____