

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED: COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT: AUTHORIZED SOLO PRACTICE. Court of Enquiry. NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT: DATE: 5-12-41 COMPOSITION: Authorized solo flight, machines President: S/L Ball, F.W. collided in mid air when approach-Members: F/L Furniss, H.P.M. (C_1081) ing runway, after red light had (C.5779)F/O Jordan, J.S. been given. RECOMMENDATIONS: That No. 16 SFTS adopt the system of using both runways for landing & taking off, thus avoiding the PRIMARY CAUSE: congestion on one runway at the start & finish Failure on part of pilots to keep of flying operations. sharp watch for other aircraft. 2. That runway look-outs be instructed to take action onit when they observe A/C approaching with retracted under) CALDINGTANCE carriage, smill that they have no control of flying whatsoever, unless they are qualified flying personnel. It is felt pupils are relying somewhat on their action to prevent collisions. 3. That this accident be used as an example to impress upon pupils that necessity for keeping a sharp watch SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS: for other A/C while in the circuit, & taking special Aircraft collided in mid-air. precautions to ensure that ather A/C are not in their "blind areas." CHECKED BY DATE