

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED: COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT: ILF AI/MI/FOLD /EMPT/AC/IL. Radio formation training. Investigating Officer's report. NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT: DATE: 3-3-42 Pilot wished to land a/c but due COMPOSITION: to heavy aerodrome traffic had to F.L. A.D. Haylett #2 S.F.T.S. go around several times. Pupil did not see signal to land so made another circuit - at this time his RECOMMENDATIONS: engine failed, and had to make a Nil forced landing 1 mile from the run-PRIMARY CAUSE: Bugine failed on approach. Pilot neglected to change fuel tank after gas exhausted. ACTION TAKEN: (A) DISCIPLINARY (B) TECHNICAL (C) OTHER Conclusion of A.I.B. Nil Forced landing due to engine failure caused by pupil pilot's mistake in not switching to reserve fuel tank when left tank ran dry. Had it norbeen for congested aerodrome traffic, pilot would have probably landed on first approach when engine was operating, or if he had seen green light on his 7th approach all might have be well. The evidence on page 11, of airframe mechanic in Aircraft made a force landing. taking the pilot's word that "he had" plenty of gast discloses a poor state of ground maintenance in this instance. CHECKED BY DATE