

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED: COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER #406/PCL Low dive bombing exercise. OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT: Court of Inquiry NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT: DATE: 14-4-42 The exercise involved the dropping COMPOSITION: of 4 practice bombs in a low dive from Pres. S.L. G.W. DuTemple C.351 RCAF Sta. Mountair 2,000 ft. to 500 ft. He dropped the first Mem. F.L. G.E. Bould 40203 #31 SFTS, Kingston two without trouble, on the third he didn(t F.O. J.R. Wood 43373 #31 SFTS, Kingston. seem to pull out of the dive and as aRECOMMENDATIONS: result the A/C struck the water while Impress all pupil pilots or the danger of over-) travelling at high speed. The A/C sank, concentration on the target and sights, when PRIMARY CAUSE: diving at low altitude. Due to an error in judgment on the part of the pilot in diving too low before attempting to pull out of the dive. ACTION TAKEN: (A) DISCIPLINARY (B) TECHNICAL (C) OTHER Conclusion of A.I.B. Aircraft on bomb diving practice crashed into the water due to error in judgment on the part of pupil pilot. SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS: Aircraft dived into Lake Ontario and was totally destroyed. RECORDED BY CHECKED BY DATE