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DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Gunnery Exercise.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

R170

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

Pilot tried to lower wheels but port wheel remained in same position. He resorted to his emergency hand pump with no effect. Pilot landed with lower undercarriage in "Up" position.

DATE:

20/10/41

COMPOSITION:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Nil

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~Port wheel would not lower although pilot made every attempt to do so.~~

*U/C FAILURE*

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ACTION TAKEN:

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

No disciplinary action taken. Maintenance warned of the necessity for close scrutiny of wheel lowering devices. Pilots also warned of the possibility that the mechanical crank sometimes is hard to operate in the air and requires extreme pressure to lower wheels.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~A/C landed on one wheel, ground looping causing damage to the airframe and airscrew.~~

*U/C DEFECT*

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