

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

DUAL INSTRUCTION.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

CAUGHT BY DOWN DRAFT AND LOST STARBOARD OLEO LEG, AND WHEEL. INSTRUCTOR THEN STARTED TO CLIMB AND AT 4500 FEET NOTICED FUMES IN THE COCKPIT. INSTRUCTED PUPIL TO BAIL OUT AND IN SO DOING SLIPPED AND LOST HIS PARACHUTE. FROM THE MAINPLANE HE ENDEAVOURED TO CLIMB BACK INTO THE COCKPIT BUT HIS LEFT ARM WAS PRIMARY CAUSE: CAUGHT. THE PUPIL HUNG THERE WHILE PILOT DESCENDED AND MADE A FORCED LANDING.

PRIMARY CAUSE:-

~~DISOBEDIENCE AND POOR AIRMANSHIP ON THE PART OF THE INSTRUCTOR.~~

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FORCED LANDING. (17)

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~FUMES IN COCKPIT AND SNAPPED UNDERCARRIAGE FROM PREVIOUS TOUCH DOWN.~~

34. U/C STRAIN (34)

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT.

DATE: 15TH JULY, 1942.

COMPOSITION:

P/O BILLING, G.J.H.

No. 36 E.F.T.S., PEARCE.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (A) FORCED LANDING FIELD HAS BEEN MARKED WITH BOUNDARY MARKERS.
(B) PILOTS HAVE BEEN FORBIDDEN TO TOUCH DOWN ON FORCED LANDING PRACTICES EXCEPT IN THE MARKED FORCED LANDING FIELD.

ACTION TAKEN:

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

LOG BOOK ENDORSED "ERROR IN JUDGMENT."

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

POOR AIRMANSHIP ON THE PART OF THE INSTRUCTOR WHEN DEMONSTRATING FORCED LANDINGS, WITH THE RESULT THAT AIRCRAFT STALLED AND STRUCK THE GROUND. THE INSTRUCTOR WAS ALSO GUILTY OF DISOBEDIENCE OF AIR FORCE TRAINING INSTRUCTION IN GOING BELOW 200 FEET WHEN PRACTISING FORCED LANDINGS.

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