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DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

Aircraft being ferried from R.C.A.F. Station Rockcliffe to Winnipeg.
NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT. ✓

DATE: July 7-8-9/42.

COMPOSITION:

12CO/PCP/WVG

Squadron Leader K.A. Gordon (C783)

Aircraft struck a spruce tree on the West bank of Blanche river near Krugersdorf and crashed through the trees breaking up and coming to rest totally damaged partly on the river bank and partly in the water.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT PERSONNEL OF FERRY SQUADRON, INASMUCH AS THEY ARE IN MANY CASES PILOTS WITH VERY LIMITED EXPERIENCE, BE GIVEN CAREFUL INSTRUCTION IN PROPER USE OF DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT WEATHER FACILITIES, AND PROPER INTERPRETATION OF WEATHER SEQUENCES, FURTHER THAT THEY BE WARNED THAT DISCIPLINARY ACTION WILL BE TAKEN AGAINST PILOTS PROCEEDING ON FERRY TRIPS IF WEATHER IS BELOW LIMITS SET BY OFFICER COMMANDING FERRY SQDN.

ACTION TAKEN:

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

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~Failure of the pilot to properly check the weather reports available at Earlton and take off under conditions where adverse weather conditions would reasonably be expected. Heavy ground fog lay over the area where the crash occurred.~~

Nil

Conclusions of A.I.B.

Agree with the Findings.

22. Collision Obstructed

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~Aircraft crashed into trees.~~

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