

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

MULT

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT: Court of Inquiry

Formation practice. (Harvard 2727)
Forced landings and Steep Turns (AJ755)

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

DATE: 20-7-42.

ICA/POM ✓

COMPOSITION:

ICA/XA

Collision in mid air. HARVARD AJ755
WHEN AT A POINT ABOUT 15 MILES EAST OF THE AER-
ODROME AND AFTER DOING THREE OR FOUR STEEP TURNS
COMMENCED DOING ONE TO THE LEFT WHEN PILOT SAW
ANOTHER A/C APPROACHING VERY FAST ON HIS LEFT
FLYING LEVEL, STRAIGHT TOWARDS HIM. PILOT SAYS
HE HAD NO TIME TO TAKE AVOIDING ACTION SO HE
STEEPENED HIS TURN TO THE LEFT BUT THERE WAS
NO TIME TO AVOID THE COLLISION. THE STBD WING
OF AJ755 WAS STRUCK BUT PILOT MAINTAINED CONTROL
AND RETURNED TO HIS AERODROME. HARVARD 2727 WENT
OUT OF CONTROL AND WENT INTO A DIVE STRAIGHT TOWARDS

S/L BADGLEY, J.B. No. 2 B. & G. S.
F/L DRAPER, B.V. 32 S.F.T.S.
P/O CRAMPTON, J. 32 S.F.T.S.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

ENFORCEMENT OF FLYING DISCIPLINE.

PRIMARY CAUSE: THE GROUND AND CRASHED.

FOR CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B. SEE ACCIDENT SUMMARY NO. 390

~~DISOBEDIENCE OF ORDERS ON THE PART OF P/O
F. BIVER IN THAT HE LEFT HIS FORMATION AND
DIVED ON LAC. GREGG'S MACHINE, PROBABLY WITH
THE INTENTION OF DRAWING LAC. GREGG INTO A
DOG FIGHT.~~

ACTION TAKEN:

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

NIL.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~P/O BIVER'S A/C CAME IN CONTACT WITH LAC.
GREGG'S STBD WING.~~

H. Disobedience of Orders. (H)

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