

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Day cross country.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

Forced landing due to engine failure, A/C landed in soft ground A/C turned over.

INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT.

DATE: 20th July, 1942.

COMPOSITION:

S/L R.D. Byers. No. 3 S.F.T.S.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

Nil

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~Starboard engine caught fire due to broken gas line.~~

17. Forced Landing

ACTION TAKEN:

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

Nil.

Conclusions of A.I.B. THIS ACCIDENT WAS DUE TO THE A/C FORCED LANDING WHEN THE STARBOARD ENGINE FAILED. THE CAUSE OF ENGINE FAILURE BEING A SPLIT FUEL LINE ALLOWING THE BACK SECTION OF THE ENGINE TO CATCH FIRE. THE EVIDENCE STATES THAT THE ENGINE HAD 53 HOURS RUNNING TIME BUT DOES NOT STATE THE FLYING TIME OF THE AIRFRAME, THEREFORE THE AGE OF THE FLEXIBLE LINE CANNOT BE DETERMINED. HOWEVER, IT IS CONSIDERED THAT MORE CARE BE EXERCISED WHEN INSPECTING FLEXIBLE LINES DURING ENGINE CHANGES AND ON SUBSEQUENT INSPECTIONS. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THIS PILOT HAS ONLY HAD 14 HOURS AND 40 MINUTES SOLO ON THIS TYPE, RECORDED BY _____ DATE _____ HIS ACTIONS WERE COMMENDABLE.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~Aircraft turned over in soft ground on forced landing.~~

26. Engine trouble - Accident

CHECKED BY _____

DATE _____