

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Low level bombing exercise.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

INVESTIGATING OFFICERS REPORT.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

A/C swung off runway on takeoff because pilot failed to correct initial swing, and aircraft finally swung off runway. The tail wheel was missing, it having been broken on coming into contact with very rough ground during the swing.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~Pupil pilot on take-off allowed A/C to swing off runway to rough ground which caused tail wheel to break. Error in judgment~~

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SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

A/C swung off runway.

DATE: 20-7-42.

COMPOSITION:

Flt. Lt Simmonds A.H. No. 32 O.T.U. RAF Patricia Bay,
B.C.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

As an aid a line should be put down each runway. This was requested of C.O. R.C.A.F., Patricia Bay two months ago and was promised immediately. Still not done.

ACTION TAKEN:

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

Conclusions of A.I.B.

The explanation by the A.O.C., of the absence of the white line down centre of the runway is that the painting was held off until the top surfacing was completed.

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DATE _____

CHECKED BY _____

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