

PILOT		OTHERS		AIRFRAME FAILURE				ENGINE FAILURE			
CAUSES OF ACCIDENTS											
UNIT 12 S.F.T.S.		COM. # 2		PLACE Near Newstead Manitoba				DATE 15-9-42		TIME 1600	
A/C TYPE Crane		No. EJ261		CRASH CAT. A		SE ME		DAY NIGHT		H.Q. FILE 1300-FJ261-1	
NAME		RANK		No.		DUTY		INJURIES		SERIOUS	
Thompson, C.H.		P/O		415725		P		Killed		FATAL INJURY	
Stevenson, G.M.		LAC		R134543		SP		Killed		2	
										CARD SERIAL No.	
TYPE A/F & ENGINE		No.		EXTENT OF DAMAGE		REPORT FORM		SERIAL No.		DATE	
Crane		EJ261		Totally							
Jacobs		R134543		Slightly							
SIGNAL No. & DATE		UNIT No. & DATE		COM. No. & DATE		REPORT		FILE		DATE	
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NATURE OF ACCIDENT											

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

Routine flying.

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

DATE: 16-9-42.

COMPOSITION:

Prior to crash a/c was flying so low that it had to rise before going over a ten foot hay stack. After passing hay stack a/c flew low towards a straw stack about 200 yds. as aircraft approached with engines running normally it rose but failed to clear stack. It passed and crashed into straw stack. It was located about 100 yds. from straw stack. It was found in good condition. PRIMARY CAUSE - a/c was flying low along some 40 yards further.

F/L E.W.C. Sharpe, (C2797) No. 2 T.O. Winnipeg.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Entire elimination and prohibition of "low flying" training until the pupil pilot has progressed beyond an S.F.T.S., i.e., either to an advanced school for instructors or to an C.T.U.

Primary Cause:

~~Deliberate unauthorized low flying on the part of an instructor.~~

ACTION TAKEN:

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

Collisions - 22 Abstractions

Will.

Conclusions of A.I.B.

Instructor with pupil, authorized to carry out "precautionary landings" and "low flying" instruction flew so low that aircraft hit a straw stack and crashed. It is considered that the instructor contravened A.F.T.I. - 1.2/49 in that he deliberately flew below a safe height and continued to do so for some time.

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SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~Aircraft crashed into straw stack turned over and struck ground.~~

Unauthorized Low Flying

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