



DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Practice landings at Airdrie.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

*MULT*

COURT OF INQUIRY ✓

*ICA/PCL/II*

*ICA/PCL/IA*

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

DATE: 13-10-42.

COMPOSITION:

HARVARD 898 AND HARVARD 854 WERE SEEN AT A HEIGHT OF ABOUT 500 FEET DESCENDING STRAIGHT DOWN OUT OF CONTROL FALLING NEAR EACH OTHER ABOUT A MILE AND A HALF WEST OF THE AIRDRIE FIELD, APPARENTLY HAVING BEEN IN A COLLISION WITH EACH OTHER. A/C 898 HIT THE GROUND FIRST; BURST INTO FLAMES AND WAS TOTALLY DESTROYED. AIRCRAFT 854 STRUCK THE ~~GROUND AND WAS TOTALLY DAMAGED.~~

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

STRICTER ADHERENCE TO AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF ADEQUATE FLYING REGULATIONS AT ALL TIMES, TOGETHER WITH THE EARLY AND EFFECTIVE PROMULGATION OF SUCH REGULATIONS. SEE ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION No. 593.

PRIMARY CAUSE.

~~OBSCURE. - PROBABLY DUE TO THE FAILURE OF THE PILOTS OF EACH AIRCRAFT TO KEEP A PROPER LOOKOUT FOR OTHER AIRCRAFT.~~

ACTION TAKEN:

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

NIL.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.:-

MID-AIR COLLISION. AIRCRAFT FLOWN BY PUPIL PILOT, SOLO AND A/C WITH INSTRUCTOR AND PUPIL, COLLIDED IN THE CIRCUIT AREA OF THE RELIEF FLYING FIELD, PROBABLY DUE TO THE FAILURE OF THE PILOTS OF EACH AIRCRAFT TO KEEP A PROPER LOOKOUT FOR OTHER AIRCRAFT.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

AIRCRAFT COLLIDED IN MID-AIR.

RECORDED BY

DATE

CHECKED BY

DATE

*Abstractions* (21)

*Sp. Aircraft* (24)