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TYPE OF ACCIDENT																	TYPE OF ENGINE											CATEGORY									
PILOT      OTHERS      AIRFRAME FAILURE      ENGINE FAILURE																	NAME      RANK      No.      DUTY      INJURIES      SERIOUS										TYPE A/F & ENGINE      No.      EXTENT OF DAMAGE      REPORT FORM      SERIAL No.      DATE      HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS										
UNIT 149 Squadron      COM.      PLACE      DATE 2-12-42      TIME 1200 Patricia Bay, B.C.      W.A.C.      Pat. Bay Aerodrome      H.Q. FILE 1300-N1005-1																	A/C TYPE Beaufort 1      No. N1005      CRASH CAT.      SE      ME      DAY      NIGHT										INST. NIGHT      ON TYPE      TOTAL      LAST 6 MOS.										
Wilson, J.T.      S/L C244      P.      Slight																	Beaufort N1005 Total										INST.      DUAL      SOLO      DUAL      SOLO      LAST 6 MOS.										
Luty, J.      SGT 5502      OC      Slight																	Taurus XII A153064/A153033 Serious										INST.      DUAL      SOLO      DUAL      SOLO      LAST 6 MOS.										
Tucker, C.N.      A/C 1385418      OC      Serious																	SIGNAL No. & DATE      UNIT No. & DATE      COM. No. & DATE      REPORT      FILE      DATE										INST.      DUAL      SOLO      DUAL      SOLO      LAST 6 MOS.										
Bures, P.      SGT R51774      OC      Killed.																	A 71      2-12										INST.      DUAL      SOLO      DUAL      SOLO      LAST 6 MOS.										
NATURE OF ACCIDENT																																					

CAUSES OF ACCIDENTS  
 MISCELLANEOUS CAUSES  
 STAGE OF FLIGHT

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 PRIMARY  
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DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Flight test.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

A/C crashed on take-off.  
Sgt. Luty (AFM) IN CO-PILOT SEAT, THROUGH  
MISUNDERSTANDING RETRACTED U/C BEFORE A/C  
BECAME AIRBORNE CAUSING A/C TO STAGGER INTO  
AIR OFF END OF RUNWAY TO A HEIGHT OF 20 FEET.  
A/C LOST HEIGHT, RIGHT WING DROPPED, HIT  
GROUND, A/C CAUGHT FIRE AND CRASHED.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~Negligence on part of pilot  
in attempting to fly as first pilot  
on Beaufort A/C before being prop-  
erly checked out by qualified  
Beaufort pilot.~~

14. Out of Control

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~U/C retracted before becoming  
airborne causing A/C to stagger  
into air and crash.~~

20 FIRE - ON GROUND.

COURT OF INQUIRY

DATE: 2-12-42. *ouc/pe/duw/c/pem/uc/og/cw*

COMPOSITION:

G/C Trecarten C.L. (C103) Western Air Command.  
F/L Trigance, K.W. (40576) 32 O.T. S. Patricia Bay.  
F/C Williams T.C. (J11268) 122 Sqdn. Patricia Bay.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT THE PROVISIONS OF C.A.P. 100, SEC. 8, ALL PARAGRAPHS, BE RIGIDLY ENFORCED. THAT THE PROVISIONS OF C.A.P. 100 SEC. 6, BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE A PARAGRAPH FORBIDING OCCUPANTS OF AN A/C OPERATING CONTROLS OTHER THAN THOSE REQUIRED BY THEIR NORMAL DUTIES. THIS MIGHT BE QUALIFIED BY A STATEMENT THAT IN A CASE OF EMERGENCY, THE PILOT MAY ORDER ANY MEMBER OF THE CREW TO OPERATE OR ASSIST IN OPERATING CERTAIN CONTROLS PROVIDED THAT HE (THE PILOT) IS SATISFIED THAT SUCH ACTION IS NECESSARY FOR THE SAFE OPERATION OF HIS AIRCRAFT, OR NECESSARY TO MINIMIZE A PRESENT DANGER. IT SHOULD BE POINTED OUT THAT SUCH AN ORDER MUST BE DEFINITELY UNDERSTOOD AND ACKNOWLEDGED BY THE OCCUPANT EXECUTING IT.

ACTION TAKEN:

(A) DISCIPLINARY (B) TECHNICAL (C) OTHER PILOT PLACED ON CHARGE UNDER SECTION 39A OF THE AIR FORCE ACT.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

POOR AIRMANSHIP. THE PILOT, COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE SQUADRON, ATTEMPTED TO TAKE-OFF IN BEAUFORT A/C, STAGGERED INTO THE AIR, STALLED AND CRASHED, A/C CATCHING FIRE. THE PILOT WAS INEXPERIENCED ON TYPE AND WAS NOT PROPERLY CHECKED OUT BY QUALIFIED BEAUFORT PILOT.

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