

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Low level navigation exercise and bombing.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

While flying at 200' to 300', engine suddenly cut. Hit a tree while attempting to force land in a clearing ahead and to the right and crashed to the ground.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~54. Engine failure in the air.
Failure of pilot to change over soon enough from outer to inner fuel tanks.~~

*22 Collision - Obstr
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SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~41. Hitting obstructions~~

36 Engine trouble Accident

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

DATE: 22-2-43

COMPOSITION: F.I. B.J. O'Day #1 T.C.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Minimum altitude of 300' as approved for low level exercises is too low to give pilot opportunity to take corrective measures should

RECOMMENDATIONS: anything go wrong. Suggested that minimum altitude of low flying exercise be raised slightly. (2) That a radio be made available for exclusive use of pilot, for purpose of information, air discipline & safety in general.

Recommendations not concurred in by A.M.T. & A.M.A.E.

ACTION TAKEN:

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

Nil

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.F. (851)

Agree with findings.

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